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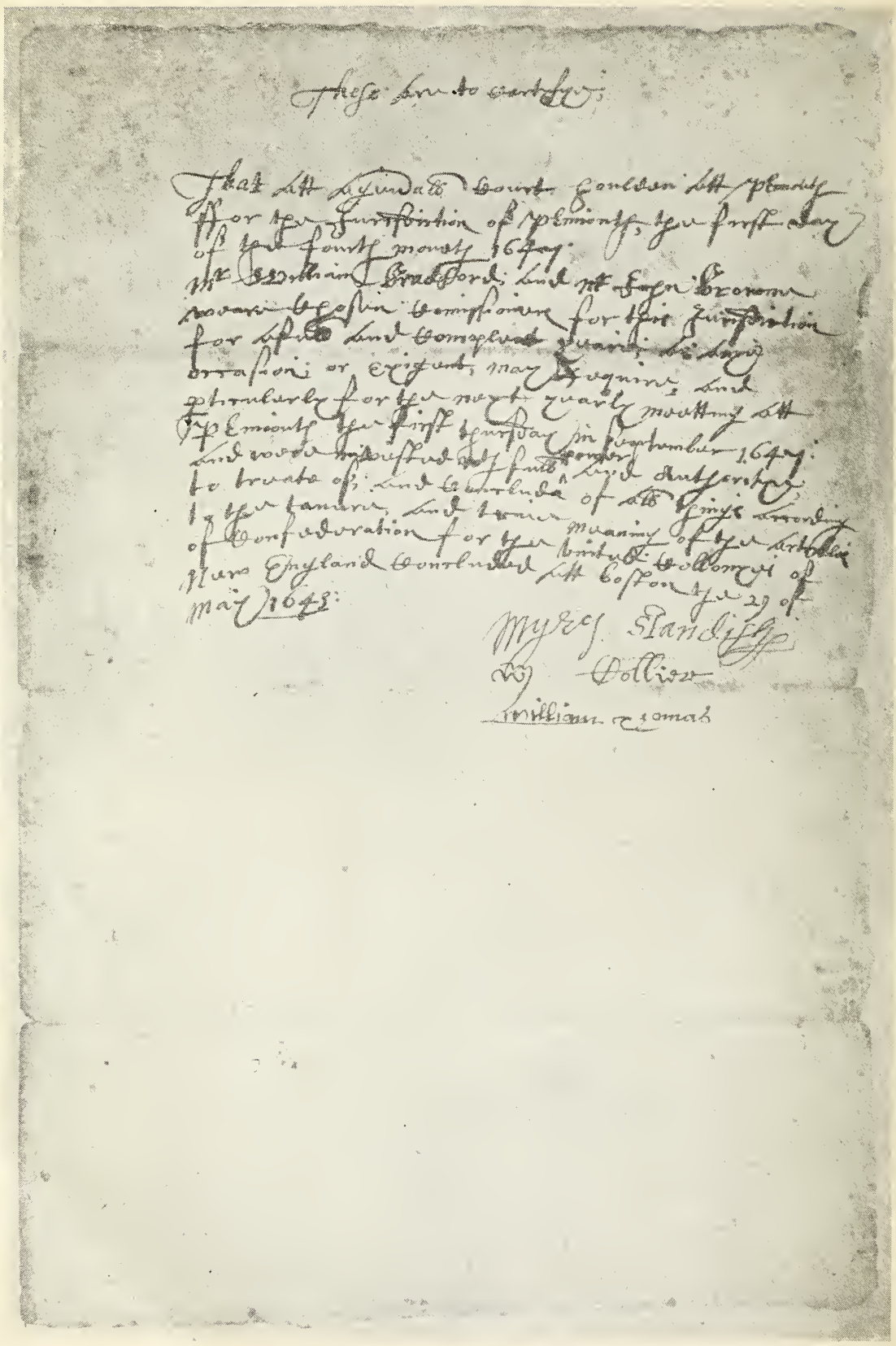

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GOVERNOR WILLIAM BRADFORD'S CREDENTIALS AS COMMISSIONER OF THE UNITED COLONIES WITH AN AUTOGRAPH OF MYLES STANDISH

By the Editor

In 1643 the four Colonies of Massachusetts, New Plymouth, Connecticut and New Haven, for better protection against the Indians, formed a Confederation called the United Colonies of New England, with a governing body consisting of eight Commissioners, two from each of the four Colonies.

The two Commissioners from Plymouth Colony were chosen at the regular meetings of its General Court, held in June each year, and the Colony records show that on 1 June, 1647, Governor William Bradford and Mr. John Browne (one of the Assistants) were chosen Commissioners for the year 1647–1648, with Mr. Thomas Prence and Mr. Timothy Hatherley as alternates.

The original certificate of this election of William Bradford and John Browne as Commissioners is now owned by a descendant of Gov. Bradford, Rev. Roderick Terry, D.D., of Newport, R. I., who has very kindly given the Editor of this magazine permission to reproduce it in the accompanying illustration.

This certificate, which is about twelve inches high and about eight inches wide, was signed by Myles Standish, William Collier and William Thomas, three of the Assistants elected by the General Court the same day, and it is interesting to note that John Browne, Thomas Prence and Timothy Hatherley were also elected Assistants on that date.

We here print a literal copy of the certificate of the election of William Bradford and John Browne as Commissioners. We also print the record of their election and the record of the presentation of their credentials at a meeting of the Commissioners of the United Colonies, held at Boston, Mass., on 26 July, 1647. These two records are found in the original Plymouth Colony Records, in the Registry of Deeds at Plymouth, Mass.

[Election of Commissioners]

[Plym. Col. Court Orders, 2:115] "Att a genn^{r}al Courte holden at Plim" 1 June, 1647, "m^{r} william Bradford Go^{r} and m^{r} John Browne were chosen Comission^{r}s and the third man in Eleccon in case eith^{r} of them faile who was m^{r} Prence and in case he misse then the 4th viz^{t} m^{r} Hatherley."

[Certificate of Election]

These Are to Certyfye,

That Att A gen^{r}all Court houlden Att Plimouth For the Jurisdiction of Plimouth, the first Day of the fourth moneth* 1647.

M^{r} William Bradford; And M^{r} John Browne weare Chosen Comissioners for this Jurisdiction for A full And Compleat yeare; As Anye occasion; or exigent, may Require, And pticulerly for the next yearly meetting Att Plimouth the first thursday in september 1647: And were intrusted wth full power And Authoritye; to treate of; And Conclude of All things According to the tenure, And true meaning of the Artickles of Confederation for the United Collonyes of New England Concluded Att boston the 29 of May 1643:

Myles Standish
w^{m} Collier
william Thomas

[Presentation of Credentials]

[Acts of Commissioners, 1:99] "At a meeting of the Comissioners . . . . held at Boston 26 . July 1647 . . . . A like order for the Jurisdiction of New Plimouth dated the first of the 4th moneth* 1647 . was read investing m^{r} William Bradford & M^{r} John Browne with like power as Comissioners to treate & conclude accordinge to the tenure of the said articles."

* The fourth month was June, in Old Style dating.

THE WILL OF JAMES³ WARREN OF PLYMOUTH AND THE ESTATES OF HIS WIDOW AND UNMARRIED DAUGHTERS

By George Ernest Bowman

James³ Warren (*Nathaniel²*, *Richard¹*) was born at Plymouth, 7 November, 1665, and there married, on 21 June, 1687, Sarah³ Doty (*Edward²⁻¹*) who was born at Plymouth, 9 June, 1666. They had ten children, all recorded at Plymouth, in the first book of the original town records of "Births Marriages and Burials", as follows*:

"The Children of James Warren and of Sarah Warren his Wife
1 John Borne the 27th of November 1688 he deceased the first of March 1689
2 Edward borne on the 14th of September 1690 he deceased on the 28th day of february 1690 or 91
3 Sarah borne the 27th of May 1692
4 Alse borne on the 3d of September 1695
5 Patience born on the 13 of January 169$\frac{8}{7}$
6 James born Aprill the 14th 1700 Deceasd July 1757
7 Hope born august 2th 1702 died May 3 . 1728
8 Marcy born on the 21 of March 170
9 Mary born January 14 1707 Deceasd Febry 4th 1795
10 Elizabeth born on the 17 January 17$\frac{10}{11}$ died Novr 5 . 1744"

These records show that the son John⁴ Warren died in infancy. He did not, therefore, marry Naomi Bates, as stated in William T. Davis's "Ancient Landmarks of Plymouth". Naomi's husband was the son of Richard³ Warren (*Nathaniel²*, *Richard¹*).

Davis also erred in stating that the daughter Mercy⁴ Warren married Sylvanus Bramhall. Mercy⁴, daughter of James³ Warren, died unmarried, on 17 January, 1745/6. Sylvanus Bramhall married Mercy⁴ daughter of Benjamin³ Warren (*Joseph²*, *Richard¹*).

Davis again erred in stating that the daughter Elizabeth⁴ Warren married "Thomas Murdock and a Thompson". Elizabeth⁴ Warren, like her sisters Mercy⁴ and Mary⁴ Warren, died unmarried, as will be shown in the following pages.

* For convenient reference the records are here reprinted from our first volume, page 208.

James³ Warren's daughter Sarah⁴ Warren married, first, Charles Little⁴ (*Isaac³, Anna² Warren, Richard¹*); she married, second, Nicholas Sever. She died 27 August, 1756. [Mayflower Descendant, 7 : 171]

Alice⁴ Warren married Peleg Ford. She died 30 May, 1733. [Mayflower Descendant, 12 : 149]

Patience⁴ Warren married Rev. Joseph Stacy. She died 31 January, 1729/30. [Mayflower Descendant, 7 : 172]

James⁴ Warren married Penelope⁴ Winslow (*Isaac³, Josiah², Edward¹*). He died 2 July, 1757. His wife died 25 May, 1737. [Gravestones here printed]

Hope⁴ Warren married Nathaniel Thomas. She died 3 May, 1728. [Mayflower Descendant, 1 : 208]

The gravestones of James³ Warren, his daughters Elizabeth⁴ Warren and Mercy⁴ Warren, his son James⁴ Warren, and the latter's wife Penelope are in one group on Burial Hill, Plymouth. Four of these death records follow:

"Mrs* Elizabeth Warren Daughter of James Warren Esqr & Sarah his wife Decd Novr ye 5th 1744 Aetatis 33"

"Mrs* Mercy Warren who died Janry the 17th 1745/6 in ye 42d year of her age."

"Coll° James Warren Esqr who departed this life July the 2d 1757, in the 58th year of his age."

"Mrs Penelope Warren the wife of James Warren Esqr who departed this life May the 25th 1737 in the 33d year of her age"

I have found four contemporary records and notices of the death of James³ Warren, as follows:

[From "The Boston News-Letter" for June 13 to 20, 1715] "Plymouth, June 13 . On the 29th of May last Dyed James Warren Esq; of this Town, who was taken suddenly Ill as he was going to the General Assembly, he was a Gentleman of great Integrity and Capacity, and his loss is Universally Lamented."

[From Plymouth Town Records†] "Capt James Warren Esquire Deceased May 30th 1715 in ye 50 yer of his age"

[From gravestone in group with his children Elizabeth, Mercy and James] "Here lyeth ye body of the Honourable James Warren Esqr who deceased June ye 29th 1715 in ye 50th year of his age"

[From Plymouth Church Records] In a list of "Members Dyed" in the year 1715. "James Warren Esqr in ye 50th year

* "Mrs" or "Mistress" was not, at that time, restricted to married women. It was frequently used for unmarried women, and girls, of the more prominent families.

† See Mayflower Descendant, 16:85.

of his Age : In June 1715 An Exceeding loss to y^e^ church Town & County"

I have not been able to determine which of these four records is correct; but have found conclusive proof that the death occurred between 25 May and 7 June, 1715, as shown by the following extracts from the original town and General Court records:

[Plym. Town Records, 2 : 149] "At A Town Meeting held at plimouth May 9^th^ 1715 The Town Mad Choyce of Capt James Warren Esquir to be Their Representative"

[2 : 150] "At A Town Meeting held at plimouth on y^e^ 7^th^ of June 1715 Major John Bradford was Chosen Representative in y^e^ Rome of Capt James Warren Deceased"

[Original Records, Mass. General Court, 9 : 438–440] At the General Court, held at Boston, Wednesday, 25 May, 1715, in the list of Representatives who were sworn, we find: "Plimouth James Warren Esq^r^"

[Boston News-Letter, for May 23 to 30, 1715] In an account of the assembling of the General Court, at Boston, on 25 May, 1715, among "The Members of the House of Representatives for the Several Towns", we find: "Plymouth, James Warren Esq".

Additional evidence of the inaccuracy of the gravestone is found in the fact that James³ Warren's will was probated on 23 June, 1715, six days before the date of death on the stone.

Among the many errors in the two articles on "Richard Warren . . . . and Some of His Descendants", in the fifty-fifth volume of the New England Historical and Genealogical Register, is the statement that the date on James³ Warren's gravestone reads "Jan. ye 29th, 1715" . As already shown, this date would be more than three months before he was elected, and nearly four months before he was actually sworn in, as Plymouth's Representative to the General Court. The copy of the church record of his death, the date of his daughter Mercy's birth, and the date of his widow's second marriage are also incorrectly printed in the Genealogical Register*.

The widow Sarah³ (Doty) Warren was married, at Plymouth, on 28 September, 1726, to John Bacon, Esq., of Barnstable, whose first wife was Mary Hawes⁴, daughter of Capt. John Hawes† by his wife Desire Gorham³ (*Desire² Howland, John¹*).

As Sarah³ (Doty) Warren was more than sixty years and three months old when she married John Bacon, Esq., in 1726, the statement, in Davis's "Ancient Landmarks of Plymouth",

* The same errors appear in the separate reprint.

† Not John "Howes", as stated in Davis's Landmarks.

that John and Sarah had three children, "Nathan, Jonathan and Rebecca", is an error. There is no record, at Barnstable or at Plymouth, of such children.

John Bacon's will*, dated 2 December, 1730, and probated 2 September, 1731, mentions children and grandchildren, all by his first wife; it also mentions wife Sarah, an antenuptial agreement with her, and daughters by her first husband. But there is no mention of any child Nathan, or Jonathan, or Rebecca.

We here print exhaustive abstracts of all records, and original documents on file, in the Plymouth County, Mass., Registry of Probate, relating to the estates of James[3] Warren, his widow Sarah[3] (Doty) (Warren) Bacon, and their three unmarried daughters, Mercy[4] Warren, Mary[4] Warren and Elizabeth[4] Warren, also a deed from James[3] Warren's heirs to Caleb Loring.

[Capt. James[3] Warren's Will]

[From original will] James Warren "of Plymouth" made his will 28 January, 1711/12. Bequests were as follows†:

To "James Warren my only son and to the heirs of his Body Lawfully begot[ten] . . . . all my upland swompy Ground maresh and meadow [land together] with all the housing thereon standing all . . . . being on the most Easterly [Side of the] Eel River So caled in . . . . Plymouth aforesd, and also three Shares in the [Cedar Swo]mp Caled the South meadow Ceder swomp in Plymouth aforesd and is one halfe of y[e] thir[teenth Lo]tt as it is laid out and Divided (one of which shares is his own already) all which I give to [him my] S[d] Son upon Conditions that he do after he shall arive to one and twenty years of age Give [and firmly] make over unto my Daughter Sarah his sister his sixth part of the wood Lott which fell [to him] upon the settlement of the Estate of his uncle Nathaniel Warren Deceased as also If he do . . . . Confirm the settlement of his s[d] uncles Estate (w[ch] I Consented to on [his behalf]e) And my Will is that my sd Son shall not Enter upon and possess any of the before Given [Estate un]till the youngest of my Daugters then sirviving shall arive to the age of sixteen years [and that] then Sarah my Loving wife shall have and Receive the one third part of the proffits and [Incomes of] all for and during the time that

*Barnstable County Probate Records, 5:1.

† The left side of the document is badly worn, and missing words or parts of words are here supplied, in brackets, from the record.

she shall Continue my widow : And I also Give . . . . my sd Son my Gun sword all my Clothes with all my husbandry tools and [utensils . A]nd my Will is that If my sd Son die without Issue Lawfully begotten of his body that then [all the before] Given Lands and other the Real Estate before mentioned shall be Equally Divided to and [amongst all] my Daughters then sirviving, only If any or either of them shall then be Deceased & leave [Issue Such] Children to have that part that would have Come to their mother If then liveing:"

"the s[d] Sarah my Loving wife shall enjoy possess and Improve all my Estate both Real [& persona]ll for her own use Comfort and support and for bringing up of my Children untill y[e] youngest [of my Da]ughters then sirviving shall arive to the age of Sixteen years as aforesd."

To "Each and every one of my Daughters" £50 "a peice to be paid to [them Res]pectively as they Come to the age of Eighteen years or att the time of marriage which shall [first hap]pen"

"And I do hereby Give full power unto the [S[d] Sarah m]y Loving wife to make sale of any of my housing wharfe swomps Lands or other Estate [which is] not before Given to my s[d] Son as she shall See Cause and the produce thereof to use & Improve [for her o]wn use and for bringing up of my s[d] Children, and for paying the Legacies Given them"

"If my s[d] Wife shall marry again after my death: that she shall have one [hundred Pou]nds out of my Estate, and be further allowed for what is necessary for bringing up of the [youngest of] my Children who shall then be minors."

"[My will] is that att and after the Death or marriage of the s[d] Sarah my wife which shall first happen [that then all the] Remainder of my Estate both Real and personal Excepting what is before Given to my s[d] [Son, and also except]ing the hu[ndred Pound]s Given to my s[d] [wife If] she marry again, It shall be Equally [divided to and] amongst all my Daughters then sirviving, only the sirviving Children of any of them [to have t]heir Deceased mothers part If any of them shall be Deceased before such Division be made, only my [will th]at Each of them have fifty pounds as before Expressed before the Latter Division be made: and that [the Sixth part] of the wood Lott to be made over by my s[d] son unto my s[d] Daughter Sarah shall be valued [att twen]ty pounds in part of the Last Division to be sett out to her."

"[Sa]rah Warren my Loving wife" was appointed executrix.

The witnesses were Nathaniel Thomas, Jr., Isaac Lothrop, Joseph Lothrop and John Watson.

On 23 June, 1715, "Nathaniel Thomas Ju[r] Esq[r] M[r] Isaac Lothrop & M[r] John Watson" made oath to the will, before Nathaniel Thomas, Judge of Probate. The will was probated 23 June, 1715, at Plymouth, and administration granted to "Sarah Warren Relict widow" [Also recorded, 3 : 360.]

[From original inventory] "An Inventory of the Estate both Reall and personall of James Warren Esq[r] Late of . . . . Plymouth" was taken 20 July, 1715, by William Bassett and Isaac Lothrop. "Bills of Cred Cash and money due to the Estate by Bonds bills Books &c about" £1018, 11s; "plate and Gold" £20, 3s.; "a negro Man and negro woman" were valued at £100, and "one English and two Indian servants" at £50. The real estate was "the farm Land meadow and housing" £2500; "other out Lands and Lotts in Ceder Swamps" £369.

On 24 September, 1715, "M[rs] Sarah Warren", exècutrix, made oath to the inventory. [Also recorded, 3 : 362.]

[21 : 302] On 5 October, 1772, at Hanover, Mass., "mess[rs] Samuel Lucas, George Hammond and John Shaw jun[r] all of Plimpton . . . . yeomen" were appointed to divide cedar swamp, as follows:

"Whereas the 13[th] great Lot of cedar-swamp lying in Plimpton aforesaid, containing thirty two acres, was originally purchased by Cap[t] James Warren late of Plymouth deced, one half part of which thirty two acres the said Cap[t] James Warren devised to his son James Warren esq[r] late of said Plymouth deced, and the other half part thereof to his seven daughters, viz, Sarah, Alice, Patience, Hope, Mercy, Mary, and Elizabeth, one of which shares or seventh part (to wit Mary's) the said James Warren esq[r] afterwards purchased, three of the other daughters (to wit Hope Mercy & Betty died intestate, whereupon the said James Warren esq[re] became also possessed of his proportion of their three sevenths of said lot, in his own right, and also of one other proportion of said three sevenths in right of Mary purchased as abovesaid; the remaining shares or rights in said Lot being in equal proportions among the four surviving daughters or their representatives . . . . and whereas the last-mentioned James Warren died Leaving the said Lot undivided and in comon between himself & sisters, and application having been made unto me for a division thereof . These are therefore to will & require you to take a view of said lot of cedar swamp, and assign and set off the same by metes and bounds in the maner following towit,

To James Warren of Plymouth esq[r] son of the aforesaid James Warren esq[r] deced, seventeen acres, one quarter of an acre, three rods & one third of a rod for his one half of said Lot devised to his said father by the will of the first-named James, and for his part of the right purchased of Mary, and his right in the share of the three daughters of said James, who died intestate as aforesaid.

"To William Sever esq[r] of Kingston, and Sarah his wife, nine acres, one quarter of a acre & three rods, in full for his share as one of the legal representatives of Sarah deced for his share of her one seventh part in one half said Lot, and for her proportional part of the three seventh parts of the intestate sisters; and also for the one seventh part which he the said William purchased of the heirs of Patience one of the before-named daughters of the first-mentioned James; and for their proportional parts of the three seventh parts of the intestate daughters before-named; and also for the right of Sarah wife of said William in her father James Warren esq[re's] share purchased of Mary, and proportion of the share of the said intestate sisters.

"To the Legal representatives of Alice Foord deced, three acres, two quarters & twenty two rods as her full share for her one seventh part of said Lot, and for their right in the shares of the said intestate sisters.

"To the legal representatives of Bethiah Tyler deced, who was one of the legal representatives of Sarah one of the aforesaid daughters, one acre three quarters & eleven rods, for half part of said Sarah's one seventh part of said Lot, and her half part of said Sarah's proportion of the shares of the three intestate daughters.

"And you are hereby also directed to have regard to the quality as well as quantity of land in the respective shares by you to be assigned. And if in the division hereof it should apear that the aforesaid Lot contains more than thirty two acres, or less, you are directed to increase or diminish the shares in proportion to the quantity assigned to each."

[p. 303] The division, dated at Plimpton, 20 March, 1773, is as follows:

"1. First . We have assigned and set off to James Warren esq[r] one of said heirs, eighteen acres & ten rods bounded as followeth, Begining at five small cedar trees marked standing near together, at the southeasterly corner of said Lot, thence ranging north thirty seven degrees & an half west in the range between the thirteenth & the fourteenth great Lots to a pine tree marked

XIII=XIIII. standing on Rocky-neck, and from said tree north west & by west seven rods & three quarters of a rod to a pine tree marked on four sides, and from thence south thirty-three degrees & three quarters easterly thro' the swamp to four small cedars marked standing near together on the southeasterly side of the swamp, from thence to the first-ment[d] bound.

"2. Secondly. We have assigned & set off to William Sever esq[r] and Sarah his wife, eleven acres & fifty three rods bounded as follows, Begining at four small cedar trees, which is the southwesterly corner of the aforesaid James Warren' esq[re's] share, from thence north thirty three degrees & three quarters westerly by said share, one hundred & fifty seven rods to a cedar-tree marked on four sides standing in said range, and from thence south fiftysix degrees & a quarter westerly, seven rods & one quarter to a stake standing about two feet to the southward of a spruce tree marked facing said stake, and from thence south thirty degrees & three quarters easterly through the swamp to a stake standing in the edge of the swamp . and from thence to the first-mention[d] bound.

"3. Thirdly. We have assigned and set off to the Legal representatives of Alice Foord deced four acres & seventy seven rods bounded as follows, Begining at a stake which is the northwesterly corner bound of the before-mentioned William Sever esq[re's] share, and from thence ranging south fiftysix degrees & a quarter westerly two rods & three quarters to a small cedar standing in the range of the twelfth great lot, and from thence by said range south thirty degrees easterly thro' the swamp to a stake standing about three feet to the westward of a pine tree being the corner bound between the twelfth & thirteenth great Lots and from thence easterly by the upland to a stake which is the southwesterly corner bound of the aforesaid William Sever's share, and from thence north thirty degrees and three quarters westerly by said Sever,s share to the bounds first-mentioned.

"4. Fourthly, We have assigned & set off to the Legal representatives of Bethiah Tyler deced two acres & thirty rods bounded as follows, Begining at a pine-tree standing on Rocky-neck which is the northwesterly corner of the aforementioned James Warren's share and from thence to extend south thirty three degrees & three quarters Easterly [p. 304] Easterly forty rods to a cedar-tree marked on four sides, which is the northeasterly corner of the aforesaid William Sever[s] share, and from thence south fiftysix degrees & a quarter westerly ten rods to the range of the twelfth great lot thence in the range between the twelfth &

thirteenth great lots north thirty degrees westerly forty rods to a pine tree marked XII=XIII, and from thence to the bounds first-mentioned.

"The above division is an equal proportion of the thirteenth great lot of cedar-swamp according to each one's right as described in said warrant, respecting both quantity & quality according to the best of our judgments."

On 20 March, 1773, Samuel Lucas, John Shaw, Jr., and George Hammond made oath to the division, before Edward Winslow, Justice of the Peace, and the division was confirmed 4 May, 1773, by John Cushing, Judge of Probate.

[From unrecorded memorandum] An original, undated and unsigned paper in the files contains the following notes.

"James Warren's will proved June 23^{d} 1715"

"Inventories of Mercy Warren & Elizabeth Warren taken & made oath to 1748"

"In which are inventoried to each respectively one sixth part of 6 Lots of Land in the first and second Division in the 8th Great Lot . N^{o} 6 . 18 . 15 . 14 . 17 . 13."

"also one sixth part of 2 thirds of a Lot of Land across monument"

"In the account settled the same year is a Balance in the Hands of Nicholas Sever the Admin^{r} with this entry to be divided into 6 Shares"

"Cap^{t} James warren's Daughters

"Sarah, Alice, Patience, Hope, Mercy, Mary & Elizabeth—Hope, Mary, & Elizabeth died intestate"

"in 1757 James Warren Esq^{rs} Interest in the 8th Great Lot appraised at £2."

"in 1748 Elizth & Mercy's right in the 8th Great Lot each appraised at old Tenor 13 . 17 . 6."

"James Warren Esq^{r} will dated 1756"

	Acres	Rods
"Will^{m} Sever	189	96
"Sarah Sever	130	56
"Alice Foord's Heirs	126	64
"N Goodwin in right of Bethiah Tyler 63 . 32		
"J Warren Heirs ½ Ann Warren's right 43 . 72	106	104
	553"	

"Sarah Sever's will proved May 1757 her Estate given to her 4 Children* w^m^ Jn^o^ Beth Lucy"

"John Sever died without Issue & admin^n^ Granted to his widow Feb^y^ 1761"

"Nicholas Sever Father & sole Heir of John Sever made his will dated 12 Aprel 1762 proved 1764"

"N B Lucy Little gave by will dated Sep^r^ 30 1756 & presented for probate october 5^th^ of the same year all her Estate to her Sister Bethiah Tyler"

The files also contain a certified copy of that part of the division† which sets off a share of the cedar swamp to the representatives of Alice Ford, deceased.

[James[3] Warren's Heirs to Caleb Loring]

[Plym. Co. Deeds, 26 : 14] On 1 October, 1728, "Joseph Stacey Patience his Wife & Sarah Little all of Kingston . . . . James Warren Nathaniel Thomas & Hope his Wife all of Plymouth . . . . Peleg Foord & Alice his Wife of Marshfield . . . . Mercy Warren & Mary Warren of Kingston afores^d^ & Elizabeth Warren of Barnstable" for £10, 10s. sold to "Caleb Loring of Plimton . . . . Gen^t^ . . . . One third Part of y^e^ thirty Second Lot of Cedar Swamp . . . . within the Township of Plimton afores^d^ partly in Pimpkin Bridge Cedar Swamp, partly below Deacon Sam^l^ Sturtevants Field & partly near Turkey Swamp."

All the grantors signed the deed, except Hope Thomas.

"all y^e^ Grantors abovementioned Except Hope Thomas & Elizab^th^ Warren" signed in the presence of Thomas Croade and Rachel Croade.

"On y^e^ 9 . day of Novemb^r^ 1730 Then Elizabeth Warren Sign^d^ In Presence of John Bacon Joshua Cushing"

The deed was acknowledged, 22 January, 1729, by "Joseph Stacey & Patience his Wife & Sarah Little now y^e^ Wife of M^r^ Nicholas Sever Esq^r^"; on 3 February, 1729/30, by "James Warren, & Nathaniel Thomas ju^r^"; on 7 February, 1729/30, by Mercy Warren; on 10 March, 1730, by Peleg and Alice Foord; on 29 August, 1730, by Mary Warren; and on 9 November, 1730, by Elizabeth Warren.

All the acknowledgments were taken in Plymouth County, before Joshua Cushing, Justice of the Peace. The deed was recorded 21 November, 1730.

* These "4 Children" were: Bethiah Little, Lucy Little, William Sever and John Sever.

† Probate Records, 21 : 303.

[Elizabeth⁴ Warren's Estate]

[Plym. Co. Prob. From original letter] On 5 October, 1747, "Nicholas Sever of Kingston . . . . Esq^r" was appointed administrator on the estate of "M^rs Elizabeth Warren late of Plimouth Deceased . . . . Intestate" [Also recorded, 11 : 75]

[From unrecorded bond] On 5 October, 1747, "Nicholas Sever Esq^r", of Kingston, as administrator of "M^rs Elizabeth Warren of Plimouth . . . . Semstress deceasd", with Edward Winslow, Esq., of Plymouth, as surety, gave a bond for £200. The witnesses were William Sever and Lucy Little.

[11 : 99] The inventory, taken by Samuel Nelson, Consider Howland and Thomas Doty, was sworn to by them on 28 June, 1748. The personal estate amounted, in Old Tenor, to £258, 6s., 6d. and the total was £328, 6s., 2d. "1 Large Silver Spoon 2 tea Spoons one Small Buckel" were valued at £5, 12s., 6d.; "1 Gold Ring 1 Ston D^o 2 P^r Gold Buttons" £10. The real estate was: "one 6 P^t of the y^e 2 Shares of Ceder Swamp at South Meadows" £10; "one 6 P^t of 2 thirds a Lott of Land, Lying a Cross Monement" £21, 2s., 2d.; "a 6 P^t of 6 Lots In first & Second Division in the 8^th Great Lot Viz N^o 6^th 18 . 15 . 14 . 17 . 13." £13, 17s., 6d.; "y^e 6 P^t of a Ceader Swamp at turkey Swamp In Plympton" £25.

[11 : 68] The account of "Nicholas Sever Esq^r Adm^r" was sworn to and allowed, on 24 March, 1748. "By Cash of M^rs Mary Warren" £21, 12s., 10d. Paid for "bringing y^e goods from Plymouth" 15s.; "Due to Coll. Warren" £37, 3s.; "p^d Esq^r Bartlet Town Clerk for Coppies" 15s. The total payments were £81, 12s., 3d. "Remains in the adm^rs hands £198 . 7 . 1 which Divided into 6 parts is to a share £33 . 1 . 2"

[Mercy⁴ Warren's Estate]

[Plym. Co. Prob. From original letter] On 5 October, 1747, "Nicholas Sever of Kingston . . . . Esqr" was appointed administrator on the estate of "M^rs Mercy Warren of Plimouth Deceasd . . . . Intestate" [Also recorded, 11 : 74]

[From unrecorded bond] On 5 October, 1747, "Nicholas Sever Esqr" of Kingston, as administrator of "M^rs Mercy Warren late of Plimouth . . . . Simstress Deceasd", with Edward Winslow, Esq., of Plymouth, as surety, gave a bond of £200. The witnesses were William Sever and Lucy Little.

[11 : 98] The inventory, taken by Samuel Nelson, Consider Howland and Thomas Doty, was sworn to by them on 28 June,

1748. The personal estate amounted, in Old Tenor, to £298, 5s., and the total was £368, 2s., 6d. "1 P^r^ Small Gold Buttons 1 P^r^ Erings D^o^ 1 Necklace" were valued at £6, 10s.; "1 Looking Glass" £8. The real estate was: "one 6 P^t^ of 2 Shears of Seeder Swamp at South Medows" £10; "one 6 P^t^ of 2 thirds of a Loat of Land lying a Croas Monement" £21; "a 6 P^t^ of 6 Lotts of Land in y^e^ first & Second Division in y^e^ 8^th^ Great Lott N^o^ 6 : 18 : 15 : 14 : 17 : 13 :" £13, 17s., 6d.; "the Sixth Part of a Ceader Swamp at Turkey Swamp In Plympton" £25.

[11 : 68] The account of "Nicholas Sever Esq^r^ Adm^r^ on y^e^ Estate of Mercy Warren" was sworn to and allowed, on 24 March, 1748. "by one Bond from Deacon Brewster due to S^d^ Estate" £54; "Cash of M^rs^ Mary Warren" £15, 14s.; "three Bonds with the Interest from Coll: Warren" £186. Payments were: "for Gravestones" £10; "bringing y^e^ Goods from Plymouth" 15s.; "Due to Coll: Warren" £109, os., 10d.; to "Doct^r^ Lebarron" £3, 13s.; to "Mary Warren" £12, 12s., 10d.; to "Esq^r^ Bartlett Town Clerk for Coppies" 15s. The total payments were £182, 18s., 11d., leaving a balance of £371, os., 1d., or "£61. 16 . 8 to a Share being 6. parts."

[Madam Sarah (Doty) (Warren) Bacon's Estate]

[Plym. Co. Prob. 11 : 212] On 16 August, 1749, "James Warren of Plimouth . . . . Esqr" was appointed administrator on the estate of "your mother Mad^m^ Sarah Bacon late of Plimouth . . . . widdow Deceas'd . . . . Intestate".

[From unrecorded bond] On 16 August, 1749, "James Warren Esqr" as "Administrator on the Estate of his Mother Madam Sarah Bacon", with "James Warren Jun^r^" "Gen^t^" as surety, both of Plymouth, gave a bond for £300. The witnesses were Nathaniel Goodwin and Edward Winslow.

[Mary[4] Warren's Estate]

[Plym. Co. Prob. From original letter] On 30 November, 1795, "Bethiah Dyer of Plymouth . . . . widow" was appointed administratrix on the estate of "Mary Warren Late of said Plymouth Spinster deceased . . . . intestate" [Also recorded, 34 : 56.]

[From unrecorded bond] On 30 November, 1795, Bethiah Dyer, widow, as administratrix, with John Cotton, gentleman, and Josiah Cotton, Esq., as sureties, all of Plymouth, gave a bond for $200. The witnesses were Nathaniel Lothrop and Isaac Lothrop.

[From original document] On 30 November, 1795, Bethiah Dyer, administratrix, was ordered to give notice of her appointment. This was done, 30 November, 1795, and sworn to on 2 December, 1795. [Also recorded, 35 : 365.]

[From original inventory] The inventory was taken, 2 December, 1795, by Abraham Hammatt and John Cotton. No real estate was mentioned. The total amount was £31, 2s. Bethiah Dyer, administratrix, and the appraisers, made oath to the inventory, 2 December, 1795. [Also recorded, 35 : 365.]

[From original document] On 2 December, 1795, Bethiah Dyer, administratrix, represented that the estate was insolvent. [Also recorded, 35 : 365.]

[From original warrant] On 2 December, 1795, "messrs Abraham Hammatt & John Cotton, both of Plymouth . . . . Gentlemen" were appointed to receive and examine all claims of the creditors. [Also recorded, 35 : 366.]

[From original document] On 27 October, 1796, Abraham Hammatt and John Cotton reported claims allowed as follows: Bethiah Dyer, $56.60; Abigail Holmes, $28.89; Daniel Diman, $35.00, and the claims were allowed by the court. [Also recorded, 35 : 366]

The three original claims are in the files, as follows: A demand note of Mary Warren to Daniel Diman, for £10, 10s., dated "Plymouth 1789 November 5"; A bill of "Beth Dyer" dated "Feby 1795" for 273 weeks board, at 20 cents, amounting to $54.60, and 4 weeks nursing in 1791 at $1.00 per week, and 13 weeks "boarding the Nours &c Last Sickness" $26.00, and $4.00 was deducted "over charged in Nursing &c"; A bill of Abigail Holmes, dated 4 December, 1795, for 26 weeks board at 6s., 8d., per week "Equal to Dollars 28—89 Cents"

[From original account] An account of Bethiah Dyer, administratrix, dated 31 October, 1796, was allowed the same day. Received for the personal estate, "as sold at vendue" $107.50. Paid out, $55.00, including "my account for Nursing &c in her last Sickness" $24.00; leaving a balance of $52.50 "to be Distributed to & among ye Crs" [Also recorded, 35 : 366]

[35 : 367] On 9 November, 1796, Bethiah Dyer, administratrix, was ordered to pay the creditors at the rate of forty-three cents and five mills on the dollar; and a list of the claims shows that Bethiah Dyer was to receive $24.66; Abigail Holmes was to receive $12.59 and 1 mill; Daniel Diman was to receive $15.24 and 9 mills.

ICHABOD BARTLETT'S ESTATE

By the Editor

Ichabod Bartlett[4] (*Benjamin*[3], *Mary*[2] *Warren, Richard*[1]) of Marshfield and Duxbury, Mass., was married, first, at Marshfield, on 28 December, 1699, to Elizabeth Waterman[4] (*Sarah Snow*[3], *Abigail*[2] *Warren, Richard*[1]), by whom he had four children: Josiah Bartlett[5], born 24 May, 1701; Nathaniel Bartlett[5], born 11 October, 1703; Joseph Bartlett[5], born in July, 1706; Elizabeth Bartlett[5], born in September, 1708. His wife Elizabeth Waterman was born at Marshfield, 7 September, 1679, and died there in October, 1708.

Ichabod Bartlett[4] was married at Duxbury, on 14 November, 1709, to Desire Arnold[5] (*Elizabeth Gray*[4], *Mary Winslow*[3], *Mary*[2] *Chilton, James*[1]), by whom he had two children: Sarah Bartlett[5], born 24 December, 1710; Seth Bartlett[5], who was born between 1711 and 1715, as he is mentioned in the will of his grandfather Seth Arnold.

Desire (Arnold[5]) Bartlett died before 11 December, 1715, when her father, Seth Arnold of Duxbury, made his will; and Ichabod Bartlett[4] died before 1 January, 1716, when an administrator of his estate was appointed.

We here print exhaustive abstracts of all records, and original documents on file, in the Plymouth County, Mass., Registry of Probate, relating to the settlement of Ichabod Bartlett's estate.

[Ichabod Bartlett's Estate]

[Plym. Co. Prob. 3:456] On 1 January, 1716, "Edward Arnold of Duxborough and John Thomas of Marshfield" were appointed administrators of the estate of "Ichabod Bartlett Late of Duxborough . . . . dyed Intestate"

[From unrecorded bond] On 1 January, 1716, "Ed^{wd} Arnold" of Duxbury, and John Thomas of Marshfield, administrators, gave a bond for £500. There were no sureties. The witnesses were Elizabeth Wade and "mergret Job".

[From original warrant] On 1 January, 1716, "Cap^{t} John Alden Paletiah West of Duxbury & Joseph Taylor of Marsh-

feild" were appointed to appraise "the lands lying in Marshfeild & Duxbury belonging to the Estate of Ichabod Bartlet late of Duxbury dec^{d} . . . . both houses & lands" and also "the Movable Estate". [The warrant was also recorded, 4: 50.]

[From unrecorded warrant] On 2 January, 1716, "Cap^{t} Jacob Tomson John Benitt & Ichabod Southworth all of Middlebury" were appointed to appraise "the lands lying in your Town belonging to the Estate of Ichabod Bartlet late of Duxbury deceased"

[From original inventory] "An invintary of y^{e} Estat . . . . reol & parsnol" was taken 11 January, 1716/17. The real estate was as follows: "his farme at marchfeld" £250; "his hous & land belonging to it at duxboroug" £160; "his land at north hil brock on y^{e} wast Sid" £100; "his forty acor lot at blackfriars" £40; "his Sadch* flat at grens harbor in marchfeld" £35; "his land at pembrock ner y^{e} fornes† pond" £14; "on quoter of a Sher of Seder Syomp‡ bein y^{e} fift lot in y^{e} grat Syomp" £15; "on quoter part of a Sher in y^{e} 2 divison of opland in duxborough" £6; "on half part of a Saw mil standin ner y^{e} four mil hil on fil^{s} Bo"¶ £8. "on Chast & box & tronck at woterman's" was valued at 12s.; "on tronck at y^{e} Cp^{t}" 5s.; "his first wives Cloaths" £13; "his 2^{d} wives Cloaths" £9; "a Right in the front Gallery in the Meeting house" £1, 2s. "Cap^{t} John Alden Joseph Taylor & Paletiah West" made oath to the inventory, 5 February, 1716, and "Edward Arnold & John Thomas Administrators" made oath to it, 1 April, 1717. [This inventory was also recorded, 4: 50.]

[From original document] An appraisal "of Ichabod Bartlets lands in middleboro", dated "Middleboro March 27 1717"§, and signed by "Jacob Tomson", Ichabod Southworth and "John Bennet Jun^{r}", was as follows: "one hundred twenty five acres lying upon the neck called Bartlets neck Butting upon the great River: in the 26 mens purchase: with the three acres of meadow ground at the foot of mr wadsworths lot" £145; "Two hundred acres lying adjoyning to the homestead of James Soul (Excepting what was formerly Sold to Said James Soul:) Together with the lot of Cedar Swamp adjoyning thereunto : lying in Said 26 mens purchase" £120; "one lot in the first allotment in the Sixteen Shilling purchase : being in num-

* Sedge flat at Green Harbor.

† Furnace Pond.

‡ Swamp.

¶ Probably "Phillips Brook".

§ So recorded.

ber the 23d lot and Containeth about 30 acres : lying in mad mares neck" £13; "Two lots in the last allotment in Said Sixteen Shilling purchase : the one lot being in number the Sixth lot : & the other being in number the ninth lot" £13; "Two lots lying in the South purchase : the one being in number the 56 lot and the other being in number the 75 : lot : Each lot containing 45 acres" £12; "one Share of Cedar Swamp in the Sixteen Shilling purchase" £2, 10s.

On "the 24th day of Aprill 1716* Capt John† Tomson & Ichabod Southworth & John Benit" made oath to this appraisal, before Nathaniel Thomas, Judge of Probate. [Also recorded, 4 : 51.]

[3:460] On "the first day of April" 1717, "Mr Edward Arnold of Duxborough" was appointed "Gaurdian unto Sarah Bartlett your Sisters daughter who is" under fourteen years of age.

[3:459] On "the fifth day of April" 1717, "Mr Edward Arnold" was appointed "gaurdian unto Seth Bartlett your sisters son who is" under fourteen years of age.

[From unrecorded bonds] On "the fift day of Aprill" 1717, Edward Arnold, of Duxbury, gave two bonds, of £100 each, as guardian of Sarah and Seth Bartlett. The witnesses were Elizabeth Wade and Margaret Job.

[3:458] On 8 April, 1717, "To Palatiah West of Duxborough . . . . Whereas Josiah Bartlett who is a minor under the age of One & Twenty years hath made Choice of You . . . . to be his Gaurdian" the choice was approved.

[From unrecorded bond] On 8 April, 1717, Pelatiah West gave a bond of £100, as guardian of Josiah Bartlett. The witnesses were Edward Arnold and John Thomas.

[3:461] On 9 April, 1717, "Pelatiah West of Duxborough" was appointed "Gaurdian unto Nathaniel Bartlett who is" under fourteen years of age.

[From unrecorded bond] On 9 April, 1717, Pelatiah West gave a bond of £100, as guardian of Nathaniel Bartlett. The witnesses were Edward Arnold and John Thomas.

[3:458] On 10 April, 1717, "John Thomas of Marshfield" was appointed "Gaurdian unto Joseph Bartlet the son of Ichabod Bartlet late of Duxborough . . . . deceased who is" under fourteen years of age.

* So recorded.

† The original warrant and his own signature on the original inventory prove that this should read "Capt Jacob Tomson."

[3:458] On 10 April, 1717, "John Thomas of Marshfield" was appointed "Gaurdian unto Elisabeth Bartlett the daughter of Ichabod Bartlett late of Duxborough . . . . dec^{d} who is" under fourteen years of age.

[From unrecorded bonds] On 10 April, 1717, John Thomas of Marshfield gave two bonds, of £100 each, as guardian of Joseph Bartlett and Elizabeth Bartlett. The witnesses were Elizabeth Wade and Margaret Job.

[From original division] "The Devision & Settlement of the lands of Ichabod Bartlet late of Duxbury . . . . deceased to & amongst his Children viz Josiah Nath^{ll} Joseph Elizabeth Sarah & Seth in maner & form following" was decreed by Nathaniel Thomas, Judge of Probate, on 12 April, 1717.

"The said lands lying in severall percells were . . . . prized at" £893, "which being devided into seven Portions (wherof the Eldest son to have Dubble) Each Portion or share amounts to" £127, 11s., 5d.

"first To the Eldest son Josiah is assigned the house & land or farme in Marshfeild with the appurtenances Prized at" £250, "And also shall Receive of his Brother Nathaniel the sum of" £5, 2s., 10d. "when he arrives at full age which sum makes up his duble Portion of" £255, 2s., 10d.

"2^{d} To the second Son Nathaniel is assigned the neck of land in Middlebury called bartlets neck with the appurtenances Prized at" £145, "he therfore Paying to his Brother Josiah" £5, 2s., 10d., "And to his Sister Sarah" £4, 14s., 4d., "& to his sister Elizabeth" £7, 11s., 5d., "when he arrives at full age & then his Portion is" £127, 11s., 5d.

"3^{d} To the third son Joseph is assigned the land at North hill in Duxbury Prized" £100, "& the sedg flats in greens-harbour River in Marshfeild prized" £35, "he therfore Paying to his sister Sarah" £7, 8s., 7d., "when he arrives at full age & then his Portion is" £127, 11s., 5d.

"4th To the Daughter Elizabeth is assigned the land in Middlebury viz 2 hundred acres lying adjoyning to the homsted of James Soule (Except what was formerly Sold to Jame Soul) together with the lot of Sedar swamp adjoining therunto lying in the 26 mens Purchass Prized at" £120, "also the sum of" £7, 11s., 5d. "from her brother Nathaniel which makes her Portion" £127, 11s., 5d.

"5^{t} And to the youngest son Seth is assigned the houseing & land or farme in Duxbury with the appurtenances Prized at" £160, "he therfore Paying to his sister Sarah" £32, 8s., 7d.,

"when she shall arrive at full age & then his Portion is" £127, 11s., 5d.

"6th And To Sarah the youngest Daughter is assigned The forty acre lot at Blackfryers in Duxbury prized at" £40, "And the lot in Pembrok near the furnis Prized at" £14, "And a quarter of a share of Cedar Swamp in the fift lot in the great Swamp prized at" £15, "& a quarter part of a Share in the Second Devision of upland in Duxbury Prized at" £6, "& the half of the Sawmill in duxbury Prized at" £8, "And shall also Receive from her brother Seth" £32, 8s., 7d., "And from her brother Nathaniel" £4, 14s., 4d., "And from her brother Joseph" £7, 8s., 7d., "which sums makes up her Portion" £127, 11s., 6d. [The division was also recorded, 4:52]

ABIGAIL (WADSWORTH) TOMSON'S WILL

By the Editor

In our last volume* we printed the settlement of the estate of Jacob Tomson, Esq., of Middleborough, Mass., grandson of Francis Cooke the Mayflower Passenger. In the present article we present exhaustive abstracts of the will of his widow, Abigail (Wadsworth) Tomson, of Halifax, Mass., and of all records relating to the settlement of her estate, found in the Plymouth County, Mass., Registry of Probate, with similar abstracts of four deeds of land which identify her grandson, Moses Inglee, of Halifax, Mass.

Jacob Tomson[3] (*Mary*[2] *Cooke, Francis*[1]) and his wife Abigail had ten children, all of whom were mentioned in the settlement of their father's estate and in their mother's will. These children were:

Jacob Tomson[4], married Elizabeth Holmes.

Abigail Tomson[4], had an illegitimate son, called Moses Inglee, about 1721; she married Jonathan Packard of Bridgewater, on 27 November, 1723, and had several children by him.

Mercy Tomson[4], married Nehemiah Bennet.

John Tomson[4], married Joanna Adams.

Lydia Tomson[4], married John Packard.

Barnabas Tomson[4], married Hannah Porter.

Esther Tomson[4], married Ebenezer Bennet.

* Mayflower Descendant, 24:167-178.

Hannah Tomson[4], married Ebenezer Reed[5] (*William*[4], *Esther Tomson*[3], *Mary*[2] *Cooke, Francis*[1]).
Mary Tomson[4], married Reuben Tomson[4] (*Thomas*[3], *Mary*[2] *Cooke, Francis*[1]).
Caleb Tomson[4], married Mary Crossman.

[Abigail (Wadsworth) Tomson's Will]

[9 : 411] "the widdow Abigail Tomson . . . . of Hallifax" made her will 16 April, 1739, and signed it by a mark. Bequests were as follows:

To "my Six Daughters Abigail Packard, Mercy Bennet Lidya Packard Hannah Read Ester Bennet & Mary Tomson all my wearing Cloaths to be Equally Divided amongst them"

"all my Just Debts and whatsoever Cost or Charge that any of my Children Shall be at by tending me when I am Sick or Infebled by Age or any Other way together with my Funerall Charges Shall first be paid out of the bills of Creditt which I Shall have or Just debts due to me at my decease and whatsoever Shall remain undisposed of Either of the bills of Creditt or of the Debts due to me when these aforesaid Charges are paid . . . . I Give . . . . unto my three yonguest Daughters Namely Ester Bennet Hannah Read & Mary Tomson and to my Grandson Moses the son of my Daughter Abigail together with all my Household Goods to be Equally Divided amongst them"

To "my four Sons Jacob Tomson, John Tomson Barnabas Tomson & Caleb Tomson and to my s[d] Grandson Moses all my Sheep and Other Neat Cattles to be Equally Divided amongst them."

"I allso Give my Sider mill to my three yonguest sons Namely John Barnabas & Caleb"

"my Son Barnabas Tomson Shall be the Executor"

"I the s[d] Abigail Tomson desire that my Children would Agree lovingly and peacibly in divideing of those things that I have here Given to you and not put your Selves to Charge by going to y[e] Judge of Probate."

The witnesses were Zachariah Soule, Ebenezer Fuller and Ruth Fuller.

[9 : 412] The will was probated at Scituate, 4 February, 1744, on the oaths of Zachariah Soule and Ebenezer Fuller, and administration granted to "Barnabas Tomson of Hallifax afores[d] Sole Executor"

[9 : 413] On 4* February, 1744, "Thomas Croade, Esqr, Ebenezer Fuller of Hallifax & Zachariah Soule of Plymton" were appointed to appraise the estate.

On the same day, Zachariah Soule and Ebenezer Fuller, and Barnabas Tomson, the executor, made oath to the inventory.

[9:413] "An Inventory of the Estate of M^rs^ Abigail Tomson late of Hallifax deceasd" was taken 22* February, 1744, by the three appraisers. No real estate was mentioned. The total amount was £347, 14s., 4d.

"4 Silver Spoons" were valued at £10; "One Spoon mould" 12s.

[31:256] "April 26 . 1745—Then Received of my brother Barnabas Tomson, Executor . . . . of my Honoured mother Abigail Tomson deceased all that part of her Cloathing that she gave me by her said Last will . . . . Nehemiah Bennett Mercy Bennett"

"middleborough February . 25^th^ 1747—Then Rec^d^ of Barnabas Tomson Executor . . . . of my Honoured mother m^rs^ Abigail Tomson" £16, 5s., 6d. "old Tenor in full . that is to say 12 . 14 . 0. being my part of the Creatures Given by s^d^ will . & 3 . 11 . 6 being what was due to me from my s^d^ mother & for Grave stones and for digging the Grave, I say Rec^d^ . . . . Jacob Tomson"

"Recieved of our brother Barnabas Tomson Administrator . . . . of our honoured mother the widow Abigail Tomson . . . . our full part or proportion of said Estate . . . . as witness our hands this 29^th^ day of November 1754 John Tomson jun^r^ Esther Bennett Ebenezer Reed Hannah Reed Reuben Tomson Mary Tomson"

"Recieved of my uncle Barnabas Tomson administrator . . . . of my Honoured Grandmother M^rs^ Abigail Tomson . . . . my full part or proportion of s^d^ Estate . . . . as witness my hand this 29^th^ of November 1754. Moses Inglee".

[31 : 295] "Middleboro Septemb^r^ 21^st^ 1791" William Thomson "Executor to my Honoured Fathers will, Caleb Thomson deceas^d^, have this day received of My Honoured Uncle, Deac^n^ Barnabas Thomson, Sixpence, as he is Executor, to the Widdow Abigail Thomsons will, his honoured mother deceas^d^, it being in full, of what was due to my Honoured Father"

* So recorded.

[Jonathan and Abigail Packard to Moses Ingley]

[Plym. Co. Deeds, 38 : 270] On 7 June, 1740, "We Jonathan Packard and Abigail Packard his Wife of the Town of Bridgewater . . . . in Consideration of the Love and good affection which we bear unto our Son Moses Ingley (Alias Moses Tomson) of the Town of Hallifax . . . . with other good Causes . . . . Do . . . . Confirm unto Our Son Moses Ingley (alias Moses Tomson) . . . . All that Our two third Parts of a certain Lot of Land . . . . in . . . . the Sixteen Shilling Purchase in . . . . Middleborough . . . . The Whole Lot Containing by Estimation Ninety Acres be it more or less, and was laid out to our Honoured Father Jacob Tomson Esq^{r} late of Middleborough aforesaid (Deceased) August the 12 : 1715 . The Bounds of the aforesaid whole Lot may appear at large upon the Records of the Proprietors of the aforesaid Sixteen Shilling Purchase . . . . Which said two third parts was Settled unto the said Abigail Packard in the Settlement of the Estate of our s^{d} Father :"

The deed was signed by both of the grantors, and witnessed by Barnabas Tomson, Hannah Tomson and Abigail Porter. It was acknowledged, 7 June, 1740, by both of the grantors, and was recorded, 13 November, 1747.

[Jacob Tomson^{4} to Moses Ingley]

[Plym. Co. Deeds, 42 : 245] On 15 November, 1748, "Jacob Tomson of Middleborough . . . . Gentleman . . . . in Consideration of the Love and affection which I . . . . do bear unto My Kinsman Moses Ingley alias Moses Tomson of Hallifax . . . . with other good Causes . . . . Do Give . . . . & Confirm unto the said Moses Ingley alias Moses Tomson . . . . All that My One Third Part of a Certain Lot of Land . . . . in . . . . the Sixteen Shilling Purchase in . . . . Middleborough . . . . The Whole Containing by Estimation Ninety acres be it more or less, and was laid out unto My Honoured Father Jacob Tomson Esq^{r} late of Middleborough afores^{d} deceased, Aug^{t} 12 : 1715 : The Bounds of y^{e} afores^{d} Whole Lot may appear at large upon the Records of y^{e} Proprietors of the afores^{d} Sixteen Shilling Purchase . . . . Which s^{d} Third Part of s^{d} Lot of Land was Settled unto the s^{d} Jacob Tomson in the Settlement of the Estate of My said Father."

The witnesses were Thomas Croade and John Soul. The deed was acknowledged, 15 November, 1748, and was recorded 22 May, 1754.

[John Tomson[4] to Moses Inglee]

[Plym. Co. Deeds, 45 : 52] On 3 July, 1758, "John Tomson of the Town of Hallifax in the County of Plymouth", for £13, 6s., 8d., sold to "Moses Inglee alias Moses Tomson of the Town of Hallifax aforesaid . . . . A certain Parcel of Cedar Swamp . . . . in the thirty Sixth Lot of Cedar Swamp in . . . . Hallifax aforesaid and lyeth in the Swamp commonly called King's Cedar Swamp which said Parcel . . . . containeth about thirteen acres . . . . and is all the Second Share in the aforesaid thirty sixth Lot . . . . and is bounded . . . . On the North West Side . . . . by the first Share from the North Corner of said thirty Sixth Lot being a Spruce Tree marked on four Sides ranging South thirty eight Degrees & a half Westerly by a Range of marked Trees unto a Stake & Stones on the Upland in the Range of the Land which was Job Simmons's, and on the South East Side thereof it is bounded from the aforesaid North Corner of the aforesaid thirty Sixth Lot being a Spruce Tree marked on four sides ranging South South West by a Range of marked Trees unto a Stake & Stones in the Range of the Land which was Job Simmons's and from thence the South West End thereof is bounded by the Land which was Job Simmons's unto the Stake & Stones before mentioned, and so lyeth in a Triangle, as may appear upon the writing of agreement of the Division of the said thirty Sixth Lot upon Record bearing date January . 19 . 1714[15] . which said Parcel of Cedar Swamp did formerly belong unto my hon[d] Father Jacob Tomson Esq[r] deceased."

The deed was acknowledged the day of its date. The witnesses were Thomas Croade and Reuben Hall. It was recorded 22 July, 1758.

[Widow Abigail Packard to Moses Inglee]

[Plym. Co. Deeds, 65 : 252] On 17 February, 1776, "Abigail Packard Widow relict of Jonathan Packard Late of Bridgwater in the County of Plymouth . . . . In Consideration of Love and affection which I have and Do Bear to My Son Moses Inglee of Halifax in the County aforesd . . . . Do . . . . Convey And Confirm unto him . . . . a Parcel of Land Containing By Estimation two acres Lying within the Township of middleborough . . . . upon Baiting Brook So Called, and including all the Meadow, on Said Brook lying on the North Side of the, high way, Excepting that Part thereof . . . . within the Line of Indian's Land, Referring to the Publick Records for particular Description."

The witnesses were Isaac Hartwell and Josiah Richards. Abigail Packard acknowledged the deed, 20 February, 1776, but it was not recorded until 1 November, 1786.

WIDOW ELIZABETH BRADFORD'S ESTATE

By the Editor

William[4] Bradford (*William*[3-2-1]) of Plymouth and Kingston, Mass., died at Kingston, on 9 March, 1729/30, and the record of the division of his estate was printed in our last volume*.

Widow Elizabeth (Finney) Bradford survived her husband more than forty-two years, as she acknowledged a deed of gift of land, to her son Josiah[5] Bradford, on 31 December, 1772. I have not tried to determine the exact date of her death, but have proved that she was the Widow Elizabeth Bradford, of Plymouth, for whose estate an administrator was appointed, on 15 July, 1778, and her death must have occurred between these two dates.

In the following pages are presented exhaustive abstracts of all records, and original documents on file, in the Plymouth County, Mass., Registry of Probate, relating to the settlement of the estate of Widow Elizabeth Bradford, of Plymouth, Mass.; also exhaustive abstracts of deeds which identify this Elizabeth Bradford as the widow of William[4] Bradford (*William*[3-2-1]) of Kingston, Mass., and as the daughter of Josiah Finney† of Plymouth.

These records also show that Widow Elizabeth (Finney) Bradford removed from Kingston to Plymouth, thence to Middleborough, and back to Plymouth, where she resided at the time of her death.

As noted in the article on the estate of William[4] Bradford, his daughter Sarah[5] Bradford married Zephaniah Holmes, and his daughter Jerusha[5] Bradford married, first, Edward Sparrow, and second, Josiah Carver. These two daughters and the son Josiah[5] Bradford are mentioned in the following abstracts.

* Mayflower Descendant, 24 : 154-164.

† See also Mayflower Descendant, 20 : 97-100.

[Widow Elizabeth Bradford to Lemuel Morton]

[Plym. Co. Deeds, 35:196] On 5 May, 1742, "Elizabeth Bradford of Plymouth . . . . Widow of William Bradford late of Kingston . . . . Yeoman deceased", for £152, 10s., sold to "Lemuel Morton of Plymouth . . . . Yeoman . . . . A Certain Tract or Parcell of Upland & Salt Marsh which I bought of my Brother Josiah Finney of Plymouth afores^{d} as ℔ his Deed to me dated" 1 May, 1735, "Bounded viz. Beginning at a Certain Part of y^{e} Division or Dividing Line (in y^{e} Division of my Honour^{d} Fathers Estate in Plymouth afores^{d}) between my Brother Johns viz. where the Stone Wall Fence begins, & so by s^{d} Stone Wall running South fourty nine Degrees Easterly across y^{e} s^{d} Lot to y^{e} Widow Morton's Range fourty four Rods to a Stake & Stones, & so down by s^{d} Mortons Range North fourty three Degrees Easterly fourty one Rods to s^{d} Lemuel Mortons upper Corner Bounds, and so by s^{d} Lemuel's Land & Meadow to y^{e} River Side, to his Northerly Corner, & so by y^{e} s^{d} River Side Northerly Six Rods & a quarter to a Stake, & from thence South fourty two Degrees Westerly nineteen Rods to a Stake & Stones thence North Westerly fifty one Degrees eighteen Rods to John Finney's Range, and so by s^{d} John Finneys Range South fourty two Degrees Westerly to y^{e} Bound first Mentioned, being on or about Eleven Acres . . . . Furthermore I . . . . do hereby . . . . Grant y^{e} s^{d} Lemuel . . . . the Same Liberty . . . . of Passing thro Josiah Finney's Land to & from y^{e} s^{d} Land & Meadow as I My Self had or might have by my Deed from s^{d} Josiah Finney"

The deed was signed by a mark. It was witnessed by Isaac Le Baron and Jonathan [*]. It was acknowledged, 5 May, 1742, before Samuel Bartlett, Justice of the Peace, and was recorded, 31 March, 1743.

[Edward and Jerusha Sparrow to Thomas Adams]

[Plym. Co. Deeds, 36:77] On 14 November, 1743, "Edward Sparrow of Plymouth . . . . Mariner and Jerusha my Wife", for £160, "in Bills of Credit Old Tenour", sold to "Thomas Adams of Kingston . . . . Clothier . . . . All that our Right . . . . in Several Lots of Land which fell to the s^{d} Jerusha which was formerly her Honrd Father's William Bradfords of Kingston Dec^{d} . The s^{d} Lots are . . . . in Kingston afores^{d} near a Place called black Water & the Brook running therefrom Which Land was Set off to s^{d} Jerusha by Men appointed by the Judge of Probates . . . . by an Instrument under their hands bearing Date"

* Apparently the recorder could not read this surname.

15 December, 1737, "and upon Record Reference thereunto being had for the particular Bounds of the s^d^ Lands It being the Whole of y^e^ 6^th^ Share, Upland Meadow and Cedar Swamp . . . . He the s^d^ Thomas allowing any Ways that there may be Granted for any to Pass or Repass across s^d^ Land"

The witnesses were Lemuel Barnes and John Howland. Edward and Jerusha Sparrow signed the deed and acknowledged it, at Plymouth, 14 November, 1743, and it was recorded the same day.

[Edward Sparrow to Widow Elizabeth Bradford]

[Plym. Co. Deeds, 36:212] On 20 June, 1744, "Edward Sparrow of Plym^th^ . . . . Mariner", for £31, 5s., "New Tenour Bills of Credit", sold to "M^rs^ Elizabeth Bradford of Plymouth afores^d^ Widow . . . . The Northerly Front lower Room in y^e^ Dwelling House where I now dwell in Plymouth afores^d^ Together with the Chamber over the said Room and the Bed Chamber as now partitioned off adjoyning to y^e^ South East End of said Chamber Also the Garrett over the said Chambers, And the Entry & Stair Way at y^e^ North End of said House and a Priviledge in y^e^ Cellar under the said House, as also a Piece of Land adjoyning to y^e^ Northerly End of said House. S^d^ Land is nineteen feet front, & twenty Six feet deep, and is bounded as followeth viz. Northerly by Land belonging to y^e^ Heirs of John Watson Esq^r^ Deceas^d^ Easterly by the Training Green, Southerly by the said House and Westerly by my Own Land"

The deed was signed by Edward and Jerusha Sparrow, and witnessed by Lemuel Barnes and James Hovey. It was acknowledged, 24 August, 1744, by Edward Sparrow, and on 27 August by Jerusha Sparrow. It was recorded 29 August, 1744.

[Widow Elizabeth Bradford to Thomas Adams]

[Plym. Co. Deeds, 38:194] On 24 April, 1747, "Elizabeth Bradford of Plymouth . . . . Widow of William Bradford late of Kingston deceased", for £16, "Old Tenour", sold to "Thomas Adams of Kingston . . . . Seafairing Man . . . . all that my third part of an old Dwelling House in Kingston afores^d^ standing in a Place near Stony Brook so called & where my s^d^ Husband did dwell S^d^ Adams owning the other two Thirds."

The deed was signed by a mark. The witnesses were Peter Lanman and Isaac Thomas. It was acknowledged, 24 April, 1747, before Samuel Bartlett, Justice of the Peace, and was recorded the same day.

[Widow Elizabeth and Josiah Bradford to Thomas Adams]

[Plym. Co. Deeds, 45:245] On 16 August, 1759, "Elisabeth Bradford widow & Josiah Bradford Cordwainer, both of Middleborough", for £13, 12s., 8d., sold to "Thomas Adams of Kingston . . . . Gentleman . . . . one quarter Part of all those Lands lying on the Easterly Side of the Countrey Road, and one quarter Part of the Garden lying on the Westerly Side of the said Road in Kingston afores[d] which was Set off to the said Elisabeth as her Dower in the Estate of her late Husband William Bradford deceased, and now in the actual Improvement of the said Thomas, and bounded according to the Bounds thereof on Record . . . . Hereby covenanting . . . . that the same are free of all Incumbrances (excepting the said Elisabeth's Improvement as her Right of Dower during her Life.)"

The deed was signed by Elizabeth Bradford (by a mark) and Josiah Bradford, and witnessed by Samuel Bartlett and Timothy Ripley. It was acknowledged, 16 August, 1759, by both grantors, before Samuel Bartlett, Justice of the Peace, and was recorded, 12 October, 1759.

[Widow Elizabeth Bradford to Josiah Bradford]

[Plym. Co. Deeds, 57:44] On 21 December, 1772, "Elizabeth Bradford of Plymouth . . . . Widow In Consideration of the Love . . . . I bear to my Son Josiah Bradford of said Plymouth Mariner," conveyed to him "all my Right and Interest (being one third Part) in the eighth Lot In the Seventh great Lot belonging to the Proprietors of Plymouth originally drawn by my Father Josiah Finney & bounded as may appear by the said Proprietors Records Book 2 . P . 281—The said Lot being . . . . about eighty Acres more or less—and was quit claimed to me and my two Sisters by our Brothers Josiah Finney & John Finney by a Deed dated June 6 . 1727. and recorded . . . . Book 22 . Fol: 70 . 71"

The deed was signed by a mark and witnessed by John Cotton and Josiah Cotton. It was acknowledged 31 December, 1772, and recorded the same day.

[Widow Elizabeth Bradford's Estate]

[From original letter] On 15 July, 1778, "Sarah Holmes of Plymouth . . . . Widow" was appointed administratrix on the estate of "Elizabeth Bradford Late of Plymouth . . . . Widow . . . . died Intestate" [Also recorded, Plym. Co. Prob., 23:186]

[From unrecorded bond] On 15 July, 1778, "Sarah Holms" widow, as administratrix, with Joshua Thomas, gentleman, and William Harlow, Jr., mariner, as sureties, all of Plymouth, gave a bond for £300. The witnesses were Thomas S. Howland and Isaac Lothrop.

[From original inventory] "An Inventoroy of the Estate of the Wid^{o} Elizabeth Bradford late of Plim^{o} Dec^{d}" was taken, at Plymouth, 1 August, 1778, by Sylvanus Bartlett, James Doten and William Crombie. The real estate was "Part of a house & Lot" valued at £120; "13 Sheep in the hand of Nath^{n} Cobb Ju^{r}" were valued at £15, 12s. The total was £174, 3s. The three appraisers made oath to the inventory on 1 August, 1778; and on 19 August, 1778, "the Widow Sarah Holmes", as administratrix, made oath to it. [Also recorded, 25:84.]

[Plym. Co. Prob., 25:306] The account of Sarah Holmes, administratrix, was allowed 7 July, 1779. Payments had been made to: Josiah Finney; also "Josiah Carvers Bill for maintaining the deceased" £44, 14s., 4d.; and £1, 1s., "for repairing the house & walls".

[25:324] A further account of Sarah Holmes, administratrix, was allowed 24 May, 1780. The estate was credited with "the Real Estate as Sold at Publick Auction* by virtue of a Licence from the Court of Common Pleas" £120; "1 p^{r} Grave Stones which Josiah Carver Charged in his Account against the Estate, but were never purchased" £3; "Cash y^{e} s^{d} Carver Rec^{d} of the deceased in her life time . . . . & not before accounted for" £2, 8s.; "a Debt due from [†] Cobb of Kingston to the Estate which said Carver also Rec^{d} & not before Accounted for" £1.

A balance of £79, 5s., 2d., remained in the administratrix's hands.

[Sarah Holmes, Administratrix, to William Bradford]

[Plym. Co. Deeds, 60:19] On 21 August, 1779, "Sarah Holmes of Plymouth . . . . widow, Administratrix of the Estate of Elisabeth Bradford late of said Plymouth deceased, being authorised & impowered by the inferiour Court of common Pleas held at Plymouth on the first Tuesday of July‡ last to sell the real Estate of the Deceased for the Payment of Debts", for £120

* See deed from Sarah Holmes, administratrix, to William Bradford, here printed.

† Space was left for the given name.

‡ 6 July, 1779.

sold to "William Bradford of said Plymouth Cordwainer . . . . The said Elisabeth's Part of a Dwelling House and Lot of Land by the Training Green in said Plymouth, being the whole that She bought of Edward Sparrow by a Deed dated June . 20. 1744 . and recorded . . . . Book. 36. Folio . 212 . Containing the Northerly Front Room in said Dwelling House, Together with the Chamber over said Room and the Bed Chamber as now partitioned off adjoyning to the South East End of said Chamber, Also the Garrett over the said Chambers, And the Entry and Stair-way at the North End of said House, And a Priviledge in the Cellar under the said House . As Also a Piece of Land adjoyning to the Northerly End of said House, Said Land is nineteen Feet Front and twenty Six Feet deep, and is bounded Northerly by the Watson's Land, Easterly by the Training Green, Southerly by the said House and Westerly by the Land of Josiah Finney jun[r]."

The witnesses were John Cotton and Sarah Cotton. Sarah Holmes acknowledged the deed 21 August, 1779, and it was recorded the same day.

THE WIFE OF ELEAZER[4] ROGERS

By the Editor

Eleazer[4] Rogers (*Thomas[3], Joseph[2], Thomas[1]*) was born at Eastham, 3 November, 1673, and married Ruhamah Willis, daughter of Richard and Patience (Bonum) Willis of Plymouth; but the date and place of the marriage have not been found. The first child was born 15 October, 1698.

Eleazer and Ruhamah Rogers had nine children: Elizabeth, Thomas, Hannah, Experience, Eleazer, Abijah, Willis, Moriah, Ruth. Their births, from the Plymouth records, were printed in our third volume, page 123.

We here present deeds which prove that Eleazer Rogers married Ruhamah Willis, the sole heir of Richard and Patience (Bonum) Willis; also that Patience Bonum was a daughter of George and Sarah Bonum of Plymouth, and that after the death of Richard Willis she married a Holmes. The second and third deeds show that both Eleazer and Ruhamah Rogers were living on 10 December, 1739.

In the deeds here printed Eleazer Rogers was called yeoman in 1683 and 1699, innholder in 1719 and 1723, and "Seafayring Man" in 1725.

[George Bonum to Granddaughter Ruhamah Willis]

[Plym. Colony Deeds, 5:259] On 15 February, 1683, "Gorge Bonum senir of . . . . Plymouth . . . . laborer . . . . in Consideration of the Naturall affection . . . . I Beare unto my granddaughter Ruhamah Willis the Daughter of Richard Willis of Plymouth aforsaid Deceased and other good Considerations" conveyed to "the said Ruhamah Willis . . . . all that my Share Lott or portion of meddow graunted unto mee by the Towne of Plymouth Containing six acrees . . . . in the lower south meddows soe Called . . . . my six acrees therof is bounded on the Northerly nearest with the Meddow Land of Nathaniel: Morton senir of Plymouth aforsaid Runing over thawrt the Meddow from upland to upland over the river that runeth through the said Meddow".

The witnesses were Baruch Jourdaine and Nathaniel Morton, Jr.

George Bonum acknowledged the deed, "As alsoe Sarah his wife Gave her free Consent", on 20 February, 1683, before William Bradford, Deputy Governor.

[Eleazer and Ruhamah Rogers to Dr. Francis Lebaron]

[Plym. County Deeds, 3:174] On 28 January, 1698/9, "Eleazer Rogers of Plimouth . . . . yeoman", for £5, sold to "Francis Lebaron of Plimouth . . . . Docter . . . . All that my Lott or parcell of land Granted by ye Town of Plimouth unto Richard Willis father to my wife Ruhamah Rogers &c falling to her by Heirship which said land as aforesaid lyeth near a place Called Warrens Well and the River Called Eele River as by ye Town Records may further Appear And all my Right . . . . in the said Peace of land . . . . In Witness whereof I ye said Eleazer Rogers . . . . & I Ruhamah Willis now wife of Eleazer Rogers have set my hand & seal".

The deed was signed by Eleazer Rogers, also by Ruhamah Rogers (by a mark). The witnesses were Nathaniel Clarke and Ephraim Cole.

On 22 December, 1699, "Eleazer Rogers and Ruhamah his wife in whose right ye sd Eleazer held the above Granted

Premisses Came both of them before me . . . . & acknowledged this Instrument . . . . And Also at y^e^ s^d^ time Patience holmes y^e^ mother of s^d^ Ruhamah Came also and quitted her Claime to any Right that she now hath or may have unto y^e^ s^d^ premisses To hold to y^e^ s^d^ Lebaron . . . . before me William Bradford Justice of Peace"

The deed was "Recorded January 18^th^ 1699", which would be 28 January, 1700, in New Style dating.

On the inner margin of the page is written: "We y^e^ w^th^in named Eleaz^r^ & Ruhamah Rogers In Consideration of s^d^ 5^£^ & 16^s^ more now paid by Lazarus LeBaron of Plym^o^ w^th^in s^d^ Physician . . . . Do . . . . Confirm to y^e^ s^d^ Lazarus LeBaron . . . . all our Right . . . . unto y^e^ s^d^ Lot or Parcell of Land granted to Rich^d^ Willis lying near a Place called Warrens Wells & Ele River in Plym^o^ afores^d^". This was dated 10 December, 1739, and was signed by Eleazer Rogers, also by Ruhamah Rogers (by a mark), and was witnessed by Josiah Cotton and Thomas Spooner. It was acknowledged 10 December, 1739, before Josiah Cotton, Justice of the Peace, and was recorded the same day.

[Eleazer and Ruhamah Rogers to Dr. Francis Lebaron]

[Plym. County Deeds, 3:175] On 6 August, 1699, "Eleazer Rogers of Plimouth . . . . yeoman", for £12, sold to "Francis Lebaron of Plimouth . . . . chirurgeon . . . . All that my meadow y^t^ lyeth near A place Called lower South meadow in . . . . Plimouth Containing Six Acres more or less Butted on y^e^ upland . Southerly by y^e^ meadow of Ephraim Cole Northerly By y^e^ meadow of Samuel Waterman this abovesaid meadow given by my Grandfather George Bonum to my Mother Patience Willis & fallen to my wife Ruhamah by her heirship And all my Right . . . . in y^e^ s^d^ meadow"

The deed was signed by Eleazer Rogers, also by Ruhamah Rogers (by a mark), and was witnessed by Nathaniel Warren, Samuel Barrows and Isaac Cushman, Jr.

On 22 December, 1699, "Eleazer Rogers & Ruhamah his wife in whose Right y^e^ s^d^ Eleazer held y^e^ above Granted premisses" acknowledged the deed, "And also at s^d^ time Patience Holmes y^e^ mother of s^d^ Ruhamah Came also & Quitted her claym to any Right . . . . in y^e^ Premisses To hold to y^e^ s^d^ Lebaron as aboves^d^ Before me William Bradford Justice of peace".

The deed was "Recorded January 19^th^ 1699", which would be 29 January, 1700, in New Style dating.

Below, and on the outer margin of the page, is written: "We

y^e^ Within named Eleaz^r^ Rogers & Ruhamah In Consideration of y^e^ s^d^ Twelve Pounds & 18^s^ more now paid by James Le Baron of Middleborough . . . . Husbandman . . . . Do . . . . Confirm to y^e^ s^d^ James Le Baron . . . . all our Right . . . . unto y^e^ s^d^ Six Acres of Meadow in y^e^ lower South Meadows now in y^e^ Township of Plimton* . . . . w^ch^ was y^e^ Estate of me y^e^ s^d^ Ruhamah by a Deed of Gift from my Grandfather Bonum . . . . In Witness whereof We have hereunto Set our hands & Seals this 10^th^ Day of Dec^r^ A D 1739". This was signed by Eleazer Rogers, and by Ruhamah Rogers (by a mark), and was witnessed by Josiah Cotton and Thomas Spooner. It was acknowledged, 10 December, 1739, "by y^e^ s^d^ Eleaz^r^ and Ruhamah", before Josiah Cotton, Justice of the Peace. "The Margin Record^d^ Dec^r^ 10 . 1739. ℔ J. Cotton Reg^r^".

[Eleazer and Ruhamah Rogers to Hezekiah Bozworth]

[Plym. County Deeds, 14 : 159] On 24 April, 1719, "Eleazar Rogers of Plymouth . . . . Innholder & Ruhamah my Wife (who was y^e^ only Daughter & Heir of Richard Willis of Plymouth afores^d^ Deceased)", for fifty-five shillings, sold to "Hezekiah Bozworth of Plymouth afores^d^ Fisherman . . . . all that thirty five Acres of Land which s^d^ Hezekiah Bozworth laid out with Some other Lands of his own in Plymouth afores^d^ adjoining or near Some Land of m^r^ Joseph Bartlett of Plymouth afores^d^ Deceas^d^, S^d^ Thirty five acres being a Part of a Sixty acre Lot granted by y^e^ Proprietors of Plym^th^ afores^d^ (In y^e^ right of s^d^ Richard Willis) The Bounds of s^d^ Land may upon s^d^ Proprietors Record fully appear"

The deed was signed by Eleazer Rogers, and by Ruhamah Rogers (by a mark), and was witnessed by Stephen Barnaby and William Harlow. It was acknowledged by both grantors, the day of its date, and was recorded the same day.

[Eleazer and Ruhamah Rogers to George Morton]

[Plym. County Deeds, 17:48] On 16 October, 1723, "Eleazar Rogers of Plymouth . . . . Innholder & Ruhamah his Wife Send Greeting, Whereas y^e^ s^d^ Eleazar Rogers Sold to Deacon George Morton of Plymouth afores^d^ by a Deed Dated January 25^th^ 1699/700 all [fol. 49] all his Right . . . . in that Tract of Land Purchased by Maj^r^ Josiah Winslow & Edward Gray of William Son of Tuspequin lying on the Easterly Side of Assawamsett Pond in . . . . Middleborough . . . . being in number the Sixth

* Plympton was set off from the town of Plymouth in 1707.

Lot, With all his Right . . . . in the Undivided as well as Divided within s[d] Tract, And the s[d] Right & Title accruing to him the s[d] Eleazer Rogers by his s[d] Wife whose hand was not to s[d] Deed . . . . We the s[d] Eleazer Rogers & Ruhamah my Wife", for £8, "Quit Claim unto the s[d] George Morton . . . . all our whole Right . . . . in s[d] Tract of Land purchased as afores[d] both Divided & Undivided".

The deed was signed by Eleazer Rogers and Ruhamah Rogers (by a mark), and witnessed by John Dyer and John Cotton. It was acknowledged by Eleazer and Ruhamah, at Plymouth, 16 October, 1723, and was recorded the same day.

[Eleazer and Ruhamah Rogers to Samuel Marshall]

[Plym. County Deeds, 19: 104] On 17 August, 1725, "Eleazar Rogers of . . . . Plymouth . . . . Seafayring man & Ruhamah my Wife for divers good Causes & Considerations . . . . do . . . . Quit Claim unto Samuel Marshall of . . . . Plym[o] afores[d] Cooper . . . . all Such Right . . . . as I the s[d] Eleazar Rogers & Ruhamah my Wife Had or ought to Have in or unto a Certain Piece or Parcell of Land . . . . in . . . . Plymouth afores[d] on the Southerly Side of the Creek that runs out of y[e] Town Pond & adjoyns to y[e] Land of John Watson Esq[r] and is all that Part of s[d] Marshalls Homestead whereon he now dwells, Which I the s[d] Eleazar Rogers Sold & Conveyed (Some Years Since) to Richard Sears formerly of Plymouth afors[d] as by one Deed . . . . Bearing Date March . 15 : 1699 . . . . (The above mentioned Parcell of Land did formerly belong to Our Hon[d] Father Richard Willis of Plymouth deceas[d])"

The deed was signed by Eleazer Rogers and Ruhamah Rogers (by a mark), and witnessed by Thomas Rogers and Samuel Bartlett. It was acknowledged by Eleazer and Ruhamah, on 17 August, 1725, and recorded the same day.

[Eleazer and Ruhamah Rogers to John Dyer]

[Plym. County Deeds, 24 : 148] On 9 June, 1729, "Eleazar Rogers and Ruhamah Rogers his Wife of Plymouth", for £12, sold to "John Dyer of s[d] Plymouth . . . . all that Our Share or Lot of Land lying in y[e] South Purchase in Middleborough which lyeth near y[e] West Corner of y[e] s[d] Purchase upon the Plain that is to y[e] Southward of y[e] Pond called Tuspaquins Pond the s[d] Lot being the third Lot in y[e] first Division and is bounded at y[e] East North East End thereof by y[e] Range between the first

& Second Divisions from a Stake with Stones about it South South East fourty five Pole to a Stake with a heap of Stones about it and from these two aforementioned Bounds the Ranges on Each Side of y^e^ s^d^ Lot runs West South West half a Mile to y^e^ Range of the Other Side of s^d^ first Division the s^d^ Lot of Land containing fourty five acres be y^e^ Same more or less:"

The deed was signed by Eleazer Rogers, and by Ruhamah Rogers (by a mark), and was witnessed by Thomas Spooner and Nathaniel Churchell. It was acknowledged, in Plymouth County, on 15 August, 1729, by both Eleazer and Ruhamah Rogers, and was recorded the same day.

SETH ARNOLD'S WILL

By the Editor

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Seth Arnold of Marshfield, Mass., son of Rev. Samuel Arnold of that town, was married, before 1680, to Elizabeth Gray[4], daughter of Edward Gray, of Plymouth, by his first wife, Mary Winslow[3] (*Mary*[2] *Chilton, James*[1]); but the date of the marriage has not been found.

Seth and Elizabeth (Gray) Arnold had six children, as follows:

Edward Arnold[5], born 20 March, 1679/80; married Mercy[4] Brewster (*William*[3], *Love*[2], *William*[1]).

Penelope Arnold[5], born 21 April, 1682; died, without issue, before 11 December, 1715, the date of her father's will.

Desire Arnold[5], married, 14 November, 1709, as his second wife, Ichabod Bartlett[4] (*Benjamin*[3], *Mary*[2] *Warren, Richard*[1]).

Benjamin Arnold[5], married, 8 March, 1713/14, Hannah Bartlett[5] (*Samuel*[4], *Benjamin*[3], *Mary*[2] *Warren, Richard*[1]).

James Arnold[5], baptized at Marshfield, 20 October, 1700; married, 19 February, 1734/5, Joanna Sprague.

Elizabeth Arnold[5], married, first, Anthony Waterman[4] (*Sarah Snow*[3], *Abigail*[2] *Warren, Richard*[1]); married, second, 17 January, 1717/18, Jonathan[3] Alden (*Jonathan*[2], *John*[1]). She did not marry "a Winsor", as suggested in Savage's Genealogical Dictionary.

Literal copies of the records of the births of Edward and Penelope, from the Marshfield town records, and of the baptism of James, from the Marshfield church records, were printed in our second and eleventh volumes.

Seth Arnold was called "Capt" in the record of the baptism of his son James, and in a deed* of land sold by him on 15 May, 1719, and was called "Esqr" when his will was probated. I have not found the date of his death, which must have occurred between 15 May, 1719, and 31 October, 1721, the day when one of the witnesses of his will was sworn.

We here print an exhaustive abstract of the original will and probate, from the Plymouth County, Mass., Probate Registry, which contains no other records relating to this estate.

[Seth Arnold's Will]

[From original will] Seth Arnold "of duxborough" made his will 11 December, 1715. Bequests were as follows:

To "my two Sons Edward and James after my decease and y^e^ decease of their mother all that farme where on I now dwel both housin and lands meadow and meadow lands both in duxborough and marshfield with y^t^ adition lot laide there to to be Equally devided beween them both for quaintitie and quallitie"

To "my Son Benjamin all that farme both upland and meadow which I bought of Sam^ll^ Sampson in duxborough at a place Called blew fish River Exepting a Small Island or Sedg flat Commonly Called or knowne by y^e^ name of y^e^ Spit and all Sad† three hundred acres of land in teverton"

"I give my wearing Clothes and books to be Equally devided between my three Sons Edward Benjamin and James onely their mother to have the use of Such of Sd bookes as She Shall See Case during her life"

To "my daughter Elizabeth watererman after y^e^ decease of her mother" £50.

To "y^e^ two Chilldren of my daugher desier deceased viz Sarah Bartlet and Seth Bartlet" £50, "that is to Say five and twenty pond Each after y^e^ death of their granmother"

To "my wife Elizabeth during her life y^e^ new End of my house where in I now dwell with y^e^ improvement of Such other part of y^e^ rest of Such house as Shee Shall need and y^e^ improvement of half y^e^ y^e^ S^d^ farme untill my Son James Shall attain to y^e^ age of one and twenty years and then to have y^e^ thirds of y^e^ Rents and profits of S^d^ farme during her life paided her by her

* Plymouth County Deeds, 15:29.

† Recorded "S^d^".

two Sons [Ed*]ward and James and fire wood found her at y^e^ door Eward Injoying [y^e^ one*] half of Sad farme till James Comes to age"

"I all So give to my [s^d^ wi]fe whome I nominate and apoint y^e^ Sole Executrix of this my last [Wi]ll and testement afore my debts and funarall Charges are paid all my moveable Estate and lands not disposed of both in teverton and pembrooke . . . . during her life with liberty and power to Sell part of Sd lands for y^e^ payment of debts if other debts due to y^e^ Estate Cannot be got in timly for y^e^ Sam and my will is that after y^e^ decease of my sd wife all y^e^ Remainder of my Estate both lands and moveables that were left with my Sd wife Shall be Equally devided between my Chillden or their heirs viz Edward Benjamin James Elizabeth and y^e^ two Children of my daughter desier deceased"

The witnesses were Samuel Seabury, Israel Silvester and Isaac Barker.

On 31 October, 1721, Isaac Barker affirmed that he, with Samuel Seabury and Israel Silvester, witnessed the will.

On 11 December, 1721, Samuel Seabury made oath to the will.

On 22 December, 1721, at Marshfield, "The Will of Seth Arnold Esqr late of Duxborough . . . . deceased" was probated before Isaac Winslow, Judge of Probate, and administration granted to "Elizabeth Arnold Relict Widdow" [The will was also recorded, 4 : 307]

PLYMOUTH COLONY WILLS AND INVENTORIES

ABSTRACTS BY THE EDITOR

(*Continued from Vol. XXIV, p. 137*)

[JOHN DOGED'S WILL]

[3:1:94] "Plymouth May the 13^th^ (73†) I John Doged finding the sumetomes of Death upon mee, Doe make this my last Will". Bequests were as follows:

To "my beloved wife all my houshold stuffe Goods and all my wearing Clothes, and all my Debts in Any of Plymouth Collonie" also "one oxe att Saconeesett in the hands of Willam Weekes Junir" also £5 "in Goods which I was to receive of John

* The letters, and words, in brackets are supplied from the record.

† 1673.

Eedey, as p^r^te of pay for the two oxen of mine hee sould for ten pounds" also "the hyde and tallow of an oxe that is att the vinyard to be sent to Boston"

"and the 4 quarters of an oxe; I give equally to my sonnes and Daughters att the vinyard"

"my lands att Martins vinyard undevided and theire privilidges which is p^r^te of the 27^th^ p^r^te of the Township Called New Ederton I Give to my two sons John and Joseph, to be equally Devided betwixt them"

"my twenty acrees of meddow Given mee upon the same tearmes; my farme upon the same Iland was Graunted to mee which is not yett layed out to mee; I Give ten acrees of it to my son Thomas; five acrees to my son John, and five acrees to my son Joseph"

"a smale p^r^sell of meddow I have att Cappaquidick Joyning to my son Thomas his Meddow there I Give it to my son Thomas, forty acrees of upland and two acrees that lyeth upon Elsabeth Ilands, Namly that land which m^r^ Peleg Sanford bought, which upland and meddow I bought of Francis usselton, whoe had the said land of aged m^r^ Mahew, this said upland and meddow I Give to my son Thomas"

"my whole farme I have alreddy equally Devided; betwixt my three sons"

"my ten acree lott upon the line neare where John Gee Dwelt, I Give equally to be Devided between my two sonnes, John and Joseph"

"my land att Aquampuch; and att Felex necke; and att Coanamuch, and a peece of meddow att Sauchecomtacked and another portion of land I have not before Named I Give to be equally Devided betwixt my two Daughters, Elizabeth and hephsybath; all my Cattle and horse kind att Marthes Vinyards; I Give to be equally Devided betwixt my two Daughters"

"my will is that my son John, send my wife two paire of shooes, and then I Dischar[ge] him of all former Debt"

"The said John Doged seni^r^: Did Attest the above written to be his last Will"

"With Reference to my estate on the Ilands above mensioned I Desire my loveing frinds Isacke Robinson and John Eedey my son in law to be overseers of this my will . . . . and Concerning my estate in this Collony my Desire is that Leiftenant Morton and Andrew Ringe be overseers of this will"

The will was signed by a mark, and was witnessed by John Cotton, John Atwood and Andrew Ring. It "was exhibited to the Court held att Plymouth in June 1673 on the oathes of the three witnesses."

[Experience Litchfield's Inventory]

"An Inventory of the Estate of Experience Leichfeild late of Scittuate Deceased about the begining of august 1673 taken by" John Briggs and Stephen Vinall was "exhibited to the Court held att Plymouth the 29th of October 1673 on the oathes of William Peakes and Josias Leichfeild". The only real estate was: "a prsell of land mensioned in a writing; which wee are Incapable to prise, by Reason of our Ignorance both of the quantitie and quallitie theroff".

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[Richard Taylor's Inventory]

[p. 96] "An Invoyce of the estate of Richard Tayler of Yarmouth Deceased taken this 13th of the 10th month* 1673", by John Gorham and John Thacher, "and exhibited to the Court holden att Plymouth the sixt of march* 1673 on the oath of John Tayler". The real estate was: "housing 12 acrees of upland 9 of meddow and about 3 acrees of broken Marsh and about 5 bushells of Corne sowne" £60 . "The womans Clothes" were inventoried. "Mr John Blake of Boston" owed the estate 16s.

"An accoumpt of prticulars Given to the Children by their father in his life owned by the Children to John Tayler; viz: 3 Calves and 1 lambe to Joseph"; "To Martha one Calfe"; "To Mary 1 sheep 1 pigg 1 rugg 1 paire of sheets 1 blankett 1 Thousand of boards"

[Widow Dorothy Brown's Will]

[The will of Widow Dorothy Brown, of Swansea, and an inventory of the estate in partnership between Dorothy Brown and her son James Brown, found on pages 97 and 98, were printed in full in our eighteenth volume.]

(*To be continued*)

*In Old Style dating the tenth month was December; and 6 March, 1673, would be 16 March, 1674, in New Style.

EASTHAM AND ORLEANS, MASS., VITAL RECORDS

TRANSCRIBED BY THE EDITOR

(*Continued from Vol. XXIV, p. 192*)

[p. 162] hanah Remick the Dafter of Mr Cristan Jr and Sarah Remick was Born at harwich July 14 : 1753

Freeman Remick Son of Christan and Sarah Remick was Born in Eastham april 17 Day 1755

Elkenah Remick Son of Christan and Sarah Remick was Born in Eastham august the 11 Day 1757

Aprel 29 : 1753* then Benimin grean and hannah Connant Boath of Trurow ware marid by samuel smith Justes of peas Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Clar

septembr 6 : 1753 Then Timathy Jervis resident in Eastha[m] and ann taler of Eastham ware marid by Mr Joseph Croker minestar Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Clar

febuary 28 : 1754 Then Jonathan Twining and Tabytha Higgens Boath of Eastham ware marid in Eastham by Mr Joseph Croker minestar Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Clar

Nathan Twining Son of Jonathan & Tabitha Twining was born in Eastham march [†] : 1755

Lidya Twining Daur of Jonathan & Tabitha Twining was born in Eastham octo 7 : 1756

John Twining Son of Jonathan & Tabitha Twining was born in Eastham october 11 : 1758

Abigail Twining Daut of Jonathan & Tabitha Twining was Born in Eastham march 20 : 1760

Elisabeth Twining Daughter of Jonathan & Tabitha twining was born in Eastham Decbr 14 : 1761

Tabitha twining Daughter of Jonathan & tabitha twining was born in Eastham September 21 Day 1763

Mercy Twining Daughter of Jonathan & tabitha Twining was Born att Eastham apel 18 1765

Barnabas Twining Son of Jonathan and tabatha Twining was Born at Eastham may 14 1767

march 21 : 1754 Then Joshua Cole Jr and hannah Cole Boath of Eastham ware marid in Eastham by Mr Joseph Croker minestar Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Clar

[p. 163] Septembar ye 23 : 1754 Joshua maker and Zeruiah Covel Boath of Eastham ware marid by samuel smith Justes peas Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Clar

* The "3" was written over a "4" in the same hand and ink.

† The day is either 3 or 5.

septembr 21 : 1750 then Thomas harding and sarah smith Boath of Eastham ware marid in Eastham by M^r^ Edward Chever

Ebenezer harding Son of thomas and Sarah harding was Born in Eastham october 28 : Day 1750

Thomas harding Son of Thomas and Sarah harding was Born in Eastham march the 14 Day 1752

January 3 : 1750 Then Joseph mayo Jr and hanah higgens Boath of Eastham ware marid in Eastham by M^r^ Edward Cher*

Abigail mayo Daughter of Joseph and Hannah Mayo† was Born in Eastham December‡ 1750

Rebacca mayo Daughter of Joseph and hannah mayo was born in Eastham July 5 Day 1755

Mary Mayo Daughter of Joseph and hannah Mayo was born in Eastham January first Day 1760

Theophilus Mayo born December 30 day 1752

[p. 164] Aprel 4 : 1751 then m^r^ samuel mayo of harwich was marid to m^rs^ marcy snow of Eastham by M^r^ Edward Chever Clar

Aprel 1751 Then salvenas snow and mahetable walker Boath of Eastham ware marid in Eastham by M^r^ Edward Chever

Aprel 1751 then gorge ward and Bersilla Doane Boath of Eastham ware marid in Eastham by M^r^ Edward Chever Clar

Joseph word Son of Georg and Barzillah word was Born in Eastham october the 23 Day 1753

Benjamin word Son of george and Barzillah ward was born in Eastham April the 3 Day 1755

George ward Son of George and Barzillah ward was Born in Eastham June the 18 Day 1756

Lydia ward Daughter of George word and Berzillah was Born in Eastham march 21 Day 1760

Elisha Smith Son of phinehas and Ruth Smith was Born in Eastham may 7 Day 1764

Isaiah Smith Son of phinehas and Ruth Smith was Born in Eastham may 21 Day 1766

August 22 : 1751 then Isaac hopkens of Truro and Elisabath higgens of Eastham ware marid in Eastham by M^r^ Edward Chever Clar pr Thomas Knowles Town Clar

January 9 : 1752 then phenies smith and Ruth Doane Boath of Eastham ware marid in Eastham By M^r^ Edward Chever Clark Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Clar

Ebenezer Smith Son of phinehas and Ruth Smith was born in Eastham november 30 Day 1752

mary Smith Daughter of phinehas and Ruth Smith was born in Eastham December 1 Day 1754

* Cheever.

† "Higgins" was crossed out and "Mayo" interlined in the same hand and ink.

‡ "January" was first written; but was crossed out, and the entry completed as here given.

James Smith Son of phinehas and Ruth Smith was Born in Eastham may the 22 : Day 1756

Levi Smith Son of phinehas and Ruth Smith was Born in Eastham april the 25 Day 1758

Phebe Smith Daughter of phinehas and Ruth Smith was Born in Eastham December the 27 Day 1760

henry Smith Son of phinehas Smith was born in Eastham Dec^{br} 23 : 1763

Look a Bove

[p. 165] Aprel 23 : 1752 then Thomas Dean of Barnstable and Abigail horten of Eastham ware marid in Eastham By M^{r} Edward Chever Clark Recorded pr Thomas Knowls Town Cl

Desmbr 8 : 1752 then Thomas Bee of Chatham and Elisabath vickers of Eastham ware marid in Eastham By M^{r} Edward Chever Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Clar

January 30 : 1752 then Jease Knowles and Sarah walker Boath of Eastham ware marid in Eastham by M^{r} Edward Chever Clark Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Clar

febuary 3 : 1753 John Knowles Son of Jesse and Sarah Knowles was Born

april 2 : 1755 marcy Knowles Daughter of Jesse and Sarah Knowles was Born

febuary 8 : 1757 hannah Knowles Daughter of Jesse & Sarah Knowles was Born

november 25 : 1758 Sarah Knowles Daughter of Jesse & Sarah Knowles was Born

Joshua Knowles Son of Jesse and Sarah Knowles was Born in Eastham April 6 Day 1763

mehetable Knowles Daughter of Jesse and Sarah Knowles was Born in Eastham January 6 Day 1765

January 12 : 1753 then Elkeny Brown and Expearnc smith Boath of Eastham ware marid in Eastham By M^{r} Edward Chever Clark Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Clar

Aprel 17 : 1753 then samuel Cook and Deborah atwood Boath of Eastham ware marid in Eastham By M^{r} Edward Chever Recorded pr Thomas Knowles Town Clar

(*To be continued*)

FORM FOR A BEQUEST

I GIVE and bequeath to the Society of Mayflower Descendants, a corporation organized under the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, the sum of.....dollars.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MASSACHUSETTS SOCIETY OF MAYFLOWER DESCENDANTS

Twenty-Seventh Annual Dinner

The Twenty-Seventh Annual Reception and Dinner were held at the Hotel Somerset, Boston, Tuesday evening, 21 November, 1922. Mr. Charles A. Coolidge, Governor of the Society, presided at the after dinner exercises, and there were addresses by: Rev. Alexander Mann, D.D., Rector of Trinity Church, Boston, and Bishop Elect of the Diocese of Pittsburgh, Pa.; and Prof. Woodman Bradbury, D.D., of the Newton (Mass.) Theological Institution.

Prof. Bradbury's address, on "The Tunes of the Pilgrims", was illustrated by a double quartette, Miss Priscilla Hawthorne Fowle, Mrs. Florence Lowther Lee, Miss Elizabeth Farr Bradbury, Miss Jennie M. Reed, Mr. Egbert Corning Prime, Mr. Evan John Shearman, Mr. Bernard David Adams, Mr. Thomas Lionel Brindley. The singers and the accompanist, Mr. Homer Chenery Bryant, were all dressed in Pilgrim costume.

"The Compact" was read by the Secretary, as usual, but on this occasion it was read from the copy presented to the Society at its twenty-sixth annual meeting, on 28 March, 1922.

The Secretary also read, from a photostat copy of the "Ten Counter Demaunds"*, an extract containing the earliest known printed suggestion of a removal from Leyden to America.

The arrangements for the reception and dinner were in charge of Mr. Charles A. Coolidge, Mrs. Channing H. Cox, Mr. Frederick Foster, Mrs. John Holmes Morison and Miss Clara Endicott Sears, the Society's Committee on Annual Dinner.

Forefathers' Day Reception

The three hundred and second anniversary of Forefathers' Day was observed on Thursday afternoon, 21 December, 1922, by the usual informal reception at the Society's Rooms, 53 Mt. Vernon Street, Boston, in charge of the Committee on At Home Days, Mrs. John Holmes Morison, Mrs. Channing H. Cox, Mrs. Robert H. Gardiner, Mrs. Curtis Guild, Miss Clara Endicott Sears.

"Confutation of the Rhemists"

An unusually fine specimen of Thomas Cartwright's "Confutation of the Rhemists", printed in 1618, has been added to our collection of books printed by Elder William Brewster, at Leyden, Holland,

* This rare tract was reprinted in full in our twenty-fourth volume.

as a gift from the persons named in the following list: "A Brewster descendant", Ralph P. Alden, Francis R. Allen, Miss Jessie E. Allen, Manson F. Backus, Mrs. Frederic W. Bakeman, Mrs. J. Paul Baker, Mrs. John C. Bannister, Mrs. Joel M. Barnes, Mrs. Herschel Bartlett, J. Colby Bassett, Mark D. Batchelder, Miss Helen Beach, Will T. Beach, Mrs. Boylston A. Beal, Mrs. Henry A. Belcher, William S. Bigelow, M.D., Mrs. Charles H. Bond, George Ernest Bowman, Winfield M. Brown, Miss Amelia D. Campbell, Ward G. Case, Albert W. Childs, Mrs. William H. Claflin, Rev. Louis C. Cornish, William F. Cushman, Alfred L. Darrow, Mrs. William M. Davidson, Mrs. Fred R. E. Dean, Mrs. Irving A. Dean, Miss Marion S. Dean, Charles H. Delano, Mrs. Henry A. Doolittle, Mrs. Frederick T. Drake, Charles L. Drown, Mrs. Frank D. Ellison, Luther O. Emerson, Miss Rosalind Ewing, Mrs. Robert McL. Fairleigh, Frederick Foster, Asa P. French, Mrs. Horace Geiger, Mrs. James J. Gilligan, Edwin C. Gilman, Joseph H. Goodspeed, Mrs. Charles P. Greenough, Mrs. Thomas H. Hack, Mrs. A. R. Hahn, Mrs. George Hall, James H. Hall, Mrs. Thomas L. Handy, Nathaniel R. Hopkins, Mrs. Harold P. Howard, Miss Amy M. Hughes, Mrs. William H. Hunt, Mrs. Frank Jenkins, Mrs. Walter Jenney, Mrs. Robert H. C. Kelton, Mrs. Charles J. Kindel, Prof. Claud F. Lester, Miss Mary F. Linn, Miss Edith Lombard, Mrs. Henry H. Lynch, G. Sidney Macfarlane, Mrs. Clarence A. McGuire, Frank A. Munsey, Mrs. Frank K. Nash, James Y. Noyes, Mrs. J. Nelson Parker, Mrs. Walter L. Parker, Mrs. Robert A. Peter, Arthur S. Phillips, Mrs. Ira Pierce, Miss Caroline H. Plumb, Mrs. Lewis J. Powers, 2d, Ransom D. Pratt, Mrs. Charles W. Pursell, Mrs. Robert W. Putnam, Miss Ella H. Read, Mrs. Paul O. Reymann, Mrs. Thomas D. Rhodes, Miss Ethel A. Richardson, Mrs. William A. Robinson, C. Perry Rockwell, Mrs. Benjamin M. Rowand, Miss Harriet S. Rowley, Warren C. Rowley, Mrs. William W. Rupp, Mrs. Henry M. Saville, Mrs. Frank R. Schroeder, Walter Scott, Mrs. Irving R. Shaw, Mrs. Flora E. Shepard, Hon. Edward D. Shurtleff, C. Fred Smith, Franklin A. Snow, Miss Bertha E. Sparks, Mrs. Caleb R. Stetson, Mrs. Orlando S. Stetson, Miss Mary M. Stevens, George O. Stimpson, Henry E. Swain, Henry N. Sweet, Miss Elizabeth F. Swift, Charles I. Thayer, Eben F. Thompson, Benjamin H. Towle, Mrs. Edward C. Turner, E. Royall Tyler, William Q. Wales, Mrs. Lindsay H. Wallace, Miss Anita S. Ward, Miss Marian DeC. Ward, Mrs. Robert Lee Webb, Miss Blanche G. Wetherbee, Mrs. Lyon Weyburn, Loring Q. White, Arthur F. Whitin, J. B. Noel Wyatt, Mrs. Franklin A. Wyman.

Gifts for the Library and Cabinet

From Miss Mary L. Flint: A Family Record of Deacon Jonathan Bass[6] (*Jonathan*[5], *John*[4-3], *Ruth*[2] *Alden, John*[1]).

From Mr. Lysander S. Richards, the compiler : History of Marshfield, Mass., Volume II.

From Miss Henrietta F. Dwight*: Nine back numbers of "The Mayflower Descendant."

From Mrs. Henry M. Saville*: Twenty-seven back numbers of "The Mayflower Descendant".

From Mrs. Jess O. Park*: A Photograph of a Deed of Land granted her great-great grandfather, Nathaniel Little, of Belpre, Ohio, in 1796.

From Miss Alice M. Hawes* and Miss Marion A. Hawes*: Fifteen historical pamphlets.

From Mr. J. Colby Bassett*: Douglas Campbell's "The Puritan in Holland, England and America".

From the General Electric Company, through Mr. D. E. Cogan and Mr. Charles C. Littlefield*: Eighteen Photographs, taken by electric light, of the Pageant at Plymouth, Mass., in 1921.

Mrs. James M. Pryor died 18 December, 1921, at San Francisco, Cal. She was a descendant of Francis Eaton, and was elected a member, 30 June, 1921, her membership number being 2282.

Mrs. Frederick J. Ripley died 7 August, 1922, at Brockton, Mass. She was a descendant of John Alden, William Brewster, James Chilton and Richard Warren, and was elected a member, 26 March, 1919, her membership number being 1616.

J. Foster Bush, M.D., died 20 October, 1922, at Hartford, Conn. He was a descendant of Myles Standish, and was elected a member, 31 December, 1898, his membership number being 415.

Mrs. William F. Steele, a life member, died 7 November, 1922, at Morrisville, Vt. She was a descendant of William Brewster, and was elected a member, 22 April, 1907, her membership number being 984.

Mrs. Alfred H. Burnham died 24 November, 1922, at Baltimore, Md. She was a descendant of John Alden, James Chilton and Richard Warren, and was elected a member, 6 February, 1912, her membership number being 1167.

Mr. Decatur Axtell died 27 November, 1922, at Richmond, Va. He was a descendant of John Alden, and was elected a member, 11 October, 1899, his membership number being 526.

Miss Roma Newman died 29 November, 1922, at Concord, Mass. She was a descendant of Stephen Hopkins, and was elected a member, 19 October, 1920, her membership number being 2059.

Miss Mary A. Ford died 1 December, 1922, at Greenbush, Mass. She was a descendant of John Alden, William Brewster, Thomas Rogers and William White, and was elected a member, 28 May, 1900, her membership number being 609.

* Member of the Massachusetts Society of Mayflower Descendants.

Mrs. Oscar D. Street died 1 December, 1922, at Springfield, Mass. She was a descendant of William Brewster and Stephen Hopkins, and was elected a member 2 January, 1914, her membership number being 1278.

Mr. Charles S. Cook died 5 December, 1922, at West Newton, Mass. He was a descendant of William Brewster and Stephen Hopkins, and was elected a member, 27 March, 1897, his membership number being 157.

Mr. Charles F. Avery, a life member, died 5 December, 1922, at Newark, N. J. He was a descendant of William Brewster and Richard Warren, and was elected a member, 10 June, 1918, his membership number being 1545.

Mr. H. Curtis Rowley died at Northampton, Mass., 14 December, 1922. He was a descendant of Edward Fuller, and was elected a member, 13 October, 1897, his membership number being 259.

Miss Estelle A. George died 23 December, 1922, at Henniker, N. H. She was a descendant of John Howland and Richard Warren, and was elected a member, 29 August, 1919, her membership number being 1719.

Members Elected

9 October, 1922.

No. 2463. Claude Melville Finney, Syracuse, N. Y., eighth from William Bradford.

No. 2464. Miss Mary Louise Finney, Syracuse, N. Y., ninth from William Bradford.

No. 2465. Luther Little, Boston, Mass., seventh from Richard Warren.

No. 2466. Mrs. Harold Palmer Howard, Minneapolis, Minn., tenth from Richard Warren.

No. 2467. Mrs. Benjamin M. Anderson, Omaha, Nebr., ninth from John Howland.

No. 2468. Henry White Broughton, M.D., Boston, Mass., ninth from Isaac[1] Allerton, eighth from Mary[2] Allerton.

No. 2469. Philip Folsom Broughton, Brooklyn, N. Y., tenth from Isaac[1] Allerton, ninth from Mary[2] Allerton.

No. 2470. Reginald Mountfort Ames, Pittsfield, Mass., tenth from Francis Cooke.

No. 2471. Rev. James Harry Hooper, Florence, Mass., ninth from Richard Warren.

No. 2472. Clifford Taft Hanson, Maumee, Ohio, ninth from John Alden.

No. 2473. Charles Dague Hover, Fall River, Mass., ninth from William Brewster.

No. 2474. Miss Eleanor Rodgers Richards, Marshfield Hills, Mass., eighth from Richard Warren.

No. 2475. Frank Holyoke, M.D., Holyoke, Mass., eighth from William[1] White, seventh from Peregrine[2] White.
No. 2476. Mrs. Robert Hartman Horner, Brookline, Mass., ninth from Richard Warren.

13 November, 1922.
No. 2477. Harvey Lincoln Wheelock, Lynn, Mass., tenth from James[1] Chilton, ninth from Mary[2] Chilton.
No. 2478. Mrs. Martin Ellsworth Hall, Lowell, Mass., eighth from John Alden.
No. 2479. Miss Daisy Odiorne Abbott, Plainfield, N. J., ninth from John Alden.
No. 2480. Mrs. Elmer Valentine Burdett, Clinton, Mass., tenth from Isaac[1] Allerton, ninth from Mary[2] Allerton.
No. 2481. Allan Breed Smith, Philadelphia, Pa., ninth from Samuel Fuller.
No. 2482. Charles Holyoke, Medford, Mass., eighth from William[1] White, seventh from Peregrine[2] White.
No. 2483. Mrs. George Jarvis Thompson, Pittsburgh, Pa., ninth from Richard Warren.
No. 2484. Mrs. George Leslie Munn, Easthampton, Mass., seventh from John Howland.

11 December, 1922.
No. 2485. Hugh MacKean Jones, Pittsburgh, Pa., ninth from John Alden.
No. 2486. Mrs. Harold Charles Lewis Ashey, Worcester, Mass., ninth from John Howland.
No. 2487. Miss Marion Spear Dean, Boston, Mass., eighth from Francis Eaton.
No. 2488. Mrs. Alexis Mustard, Baltimore, Md., ninth from Richard Warren.
No. 2489. Randolph Gove Flood, M.D., San Francisco, Cal., tenth from Stephen[1] Hopkins, ninth from Gyles[2] Hopkins.
No. 2490. Raymond Oliver Flood, San Francisco, Cal., tenth from Stephen[1] Hopkins, ninth from Gyles[2] Hopkins.
No. 2491. Miss Mary Eugenia Burgess, Boston, Mass., eighth from William[1] Brewster, seventh from Love[2] Brewster.
No. 2492. Joseph Chandler, Ph.D., Medford, Mass., ninth from John Alden.
No. 2493. George Perkins Douglas, Minneapolis, Minn., ninth from William Brewster.

30 December, 1922.
No. 2494. William Turner Whedon, Norwood, Mass., ninth from John Alden.

No. 2495. Elmer Henry Chamberlin, Philadelphia, Pa., tenth from John Alden.
No. 2496. Miss Ada Louise Chamberlin, Philadelphia, Pa., tenth from John Alden.
No. 2497. Mrs. William Elihu Baxter, Topsfield, Mass., eighth from James[1] Chilton, seventh from Mary[2] Chilton.
No. 2498. Walter Rogers Lamkin, Lexington, Mass., tenth from Richard Warren.
No. 2499. Mrs. Thomas Francis O'Connell, Chicago, Ill., tenth from William Brewster.
No. 2500. Mrs. James Masterman Kirkley, Chicago, Ill., tenth from William Brewster.
No. 2501. Mrs. Caleb Emery Garey, Melrose, Mass., ninth from Thomas Rogers.
No. 2502. Mrs. Benjamin Veazie Smith, Kent's Hill, Me., ninth from Thomas Rogers.
No. 2503. Miss Emma Jane Williams, Berlin, N. H., tenth from Thomas Rogers.
No. 2504. George Bradford White*, Braintree, Mass., tenth from William Brewster.
No. 2505. Walter Frederick Ellis, Dedham, Mass., ninth from John Alden.
No. 2506. Mrs. Leander Crowell, Quincy, Mass., eighth from Henry Samson.

Supplemental Lines Accepted

[The By-Laws require an additional fee of two dollars ($2.00) for each Supplemental line filed with the Society.]

November, 1922.
No. 2230. Robert W. Puffer; ninth from John Alden; eighth from Henry Samson; ninth from Myles Standish.
No. 2420. Col. Thales L. Ames, U. S. A.; eighth from Francis Cooke.

December, 1922.
2440. Mrs. James G. Dunseith; ninth from Richard Warren.

Attest: George Ernest Bowman,
Secretary.

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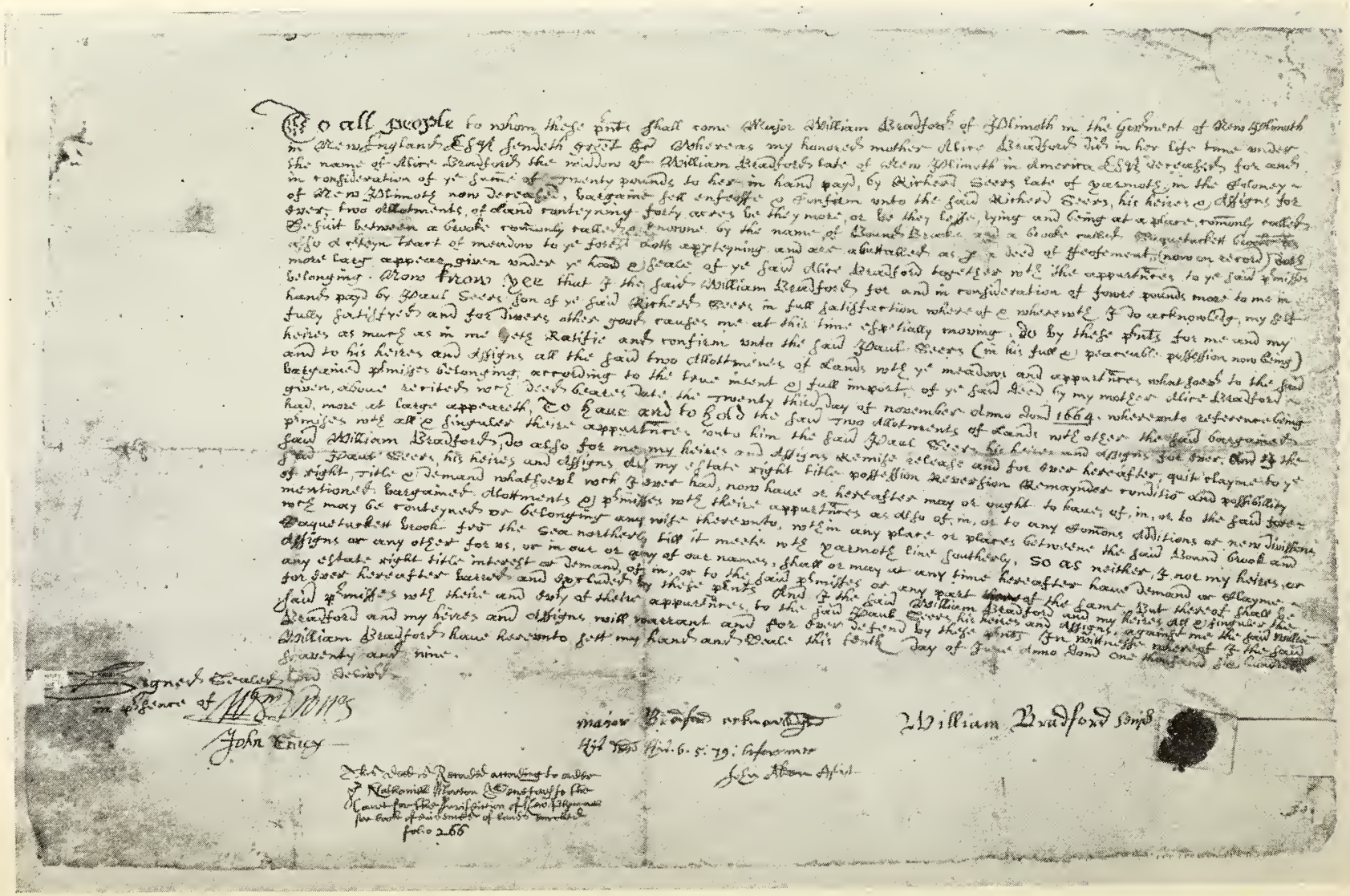

AUTOGRAPHS OF JOHN ALDEN AND MAJOR WILLIAM BRADFORD

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MAJOR WILLIAM[2] BRADFORD'S CONFIRMATION OF HIS MOTHER'S DEED TO RICHARD SEARS WITH AN AUTOGRAPH OF JOHN ALDEN

By the Editor

In the illustration facing this page, we reproduce an original deed from Major William[2] Bradford (*Gov. William*[1]), of Plymouth, to Paul Sears of Yarmouth. By this deed, dated 10 June, 1679, Major Bradford released all his rights in land which his mother, widow Alice Bradford, had sold, on 23 November, 1664, to Richard Sears of Yarmouth, father of Paul Sears.

This old document has an added interest because the grantor acknowledged it before John Alden, the Mayflower Passenger, who acted in his official capacity as one of the Governor's Assistants, as shown by his autograph signature.

The endorsement at the bottom shows that Nathaniel Morton, the Secretary of the Colony, recorded this deed, in the Plymouth Colony Deeds, on "folio 266", but he omitted the number of the volume. An examination of the original records at Plymouth shows that this deed was recorded in the fourth volume of deeds.

This interesting document is here reproduced through the courtesy of the present owner, Rev. Roderick Terry, D.D., of Newport, R. I., who is a descendant of Major William[2] Bradford.

The expense of printing this article, and the accompanying illustration, has been paid by a member of the Massachusetts Society of Mayflower Descendants, who is not descended from Alden or Bradford.

A literal copy of the original deed and its endorsements follows:

[Maj. William Bradford to Paul Sears]

To all people to whom these p^rnts shall come Major William Bradford of Plimoth in the Gov^rment of New Plimoth in New England Esq^r sendeth greet &c Whereas my honored mother Alice Bradford did in her life time under the name of Alice Bradford the widdow of William Bradford late of New Plimoth in America Esq^r deceased, for and in consideration of y^e sume of Twenty pounds to her in hand payd, by Richerd Seers late of Yarmoth, in the Coloney of New Plimoth now deceased, bargaine sell enfeoffe & Confirm unto the said Richerd Seers, his heires & Assigns for ever, two Allotments, of Land conteyning forty acres be they more, or be they lesse, lying and being at a place, comonly called Sesuit between a brooke comonly called & knowne, by the name of Bound Brooke, and a brooke called Saquetuckett brooke, as also a c^rteyn tract of meadow to y^e foresd Lotts appteyning, and are abuttalled as p a deed of Feofement, (now on record) doth more larg appear given under y^e hand & seale of y^e said Alice Bradford together w^th the appurtances to y^e said p^rmisses belonging. Now know yee that I the said William Bradford for and in consideration of fowre pounds more to me in hand payd by Paul Seers son of y^e said Richerd Seers in full satisfaction whereof & wherew^th I do acknowledg, my self fully satisfyed and for divers other good causes me at this time espetially moving, do by these p^rnts for me and my heires as much as in me lyeth Ratifie and confirm unto the said Paul Seers (in his full & peaceable possession now being) and to his heires and Assigns all the said two Allottments of Lands w^th y^e meadows and appurtances whatsoev^r to the said bargained p^rmisses belonging, according to the true intent & full import, of y^e said deed by my mother Alice Bradford given, above recited w^ch deed beares date the Twenty third day of november Anno Dom 1664, whereunto reference being had, more at large appeareth, To have and to hold the said Two Allotments of Lands w^th other the said bargained p^rmises w^th all & singuler theire appurtances unto him the said Paul Seers his heires and Assigns for ever. And I the said William Bradford, do also for me my heires and Assigns Remise release and for ever hereafter, quit clayme to y^e said Paul Seers, his heires and Assigns All my estate right title possession Reversion Remaynder condition and possibillity of right, Title & demand whatsoev^r w^ch I ever had, now have or hereafter may or ought to have, of, in, or to the said forementioned bargained Allottments & p^rmisses w^th theire appurtances as Also of, in, or to any Comons Additions or new divissions w^ch may be con-

teyned or belonging any wise thereunto, wthin any place or places betweene the said Bound brook and Saquetuckett brook from the Sea northerly till it meete wth Yarmoth line southerly, So as neither I, nor my heires, or Assigns or any other for us, or in our or any of our names, shall or may at any time hereafter have demand or Clayme any estate right title interest or demand, of, in, or to the said p^{r}misses or any part of the same, But thereof shall be for ever hereafter barred and excluded by these p^{r}nts And I the said William Bradford and my heires All & singuler the said p^{r}misses wth their and ev^{r}y of theire appurtances, to the said Paul Seers his heires and Assigns, against me the said William Bradford and my heires and Assigns will warrant and for ever defend by these p^{r}nts In witnesse whereof I the said William Bradford have hereunto sett my hand and Seale this tenth day of June Anno Dom one thousand six hundred seaventy and nine.

Signed Sealed and deliv^{r}d in p^{r}sence of W^{m} Crow
John Tracy

William Bradford Senior (seal)

major Bradford acknowledged
this deed this .6.5:79: before mee
John Alden Asist

This deed is Recorded according to order p^{r} Nathaniell Morton Secretary to the Court for the Jurisdiction of New Plymouth see booke of evidences of lands enroled folio 266

PLYMOUTH, MASS., VITAL RECORDS

TRANSCRIBED BY MISS ETHEL A. RICHARDSON

(Continued from Vol. XXIV, p. 19)

[p. 111] 1754. In order for Marriages.

Augst 31 A Purpose of Marriage, Between M^{r} James Warren Jun^{r} of Plymouth; And M^{rs} Marcy Otis of Barnstable

31 A Purpose of Marriage, Between James Wade of Bridgwater, and Anna Clark of Plymouth. James Clark Jun^{r} Spoke for y^{e} Publishment.

Sep^{t} 7 A Purpose of Marriage, Between Caleb Stetson of Plym^{o} and Abigail Bradford of Plimton

21 A Purpose of Marriage, Between Jesse Rider, and Bethiah Thomas, Both of Plymouth

Oct^{r} 5 A purpose of Marriage, Between M^{r} George Peckham, of Providence, In the Collony of Rhode Island, And M^{rs} Jerusha Bartlett of Plymouth

12 A purpose of Marriage, Between M^{r} Ephraim Dexter, of Rochester, & m^{rs} Martha Waite of Plymouth

19 A purpose of Marriage, Between M^{r} Elkanah Watson of Plymouth, And M^{rs} Patience Marston of Manchester

Nov^{r} 1 A purpose of Marriage, Between Sam^{ll} Crow of Providence In the Collony of Rhode Island, & Hannah Rider of Plymouth Spoke for by, and D^{dd} To Joshua Finney

1 A Purpose of Marriage Between Corban Barnes, & Rebeckah Atwood—Both of Plymouth

23 A Purpose of Marriage, Between William Carver, (y^{e} third) of Marshfield, & Margaret Kempton of Plymouth

26 A Purpose of Marriage, between Mr John Wall of Greenwich In y^{e} Collony of Rhode Island &c. and m^{rs} Ruth Lucas of Plymouth

A Purpose of Marriage Between Joseph Silvester, & Susannah Cobb Both of Plymouth

Dec^{r} 7 A Purpose of Marriage Between Thomas Bayley Resident in Plymouth, and Sarah Langlee of Plymouth

14 A Purpose of Marriage Between John Washburn Jun^{r} and Lydia Prince, Both of Plymouth

Jan^{ry} 4 A Purpose Of Marriage, Between James Lakey of Plymouth; And Margaret Beard, now Resident In Plymouth Charg^{d} to A Donham

Feb : 22 A Purpose of Marriage, Between M^{r} Nathaniell Little of Tiverton, and M^{rs} Keziah Adams of Plymouth

22 A purpose of Marriage, Between Alexander Anderson Resident In Plym^{o}, and Jean Seller of Plymouth

Mar : 1 A purpose of Marriage, Between William Huston, and Elizabeth Waite, Both of Plymouth

15 A purpose of Marriage Between Benjamin Lucas of Plym^{o} and Lydia Crocker of Plimton

29 A purpose of Marriage, Between Benjamin Allen of Plymouth, and Beza Delano of Kingston w^{ms} Spoke for by Williams

[p. 113]* In Order for Marriages

1755 April . 5 A Purpose of Marriage Between John Brown of Truro & Sarah Little of Plymouth

5 A Purpose of Marriage Between M^{r} Jacob Tayler and M^{rs} Jemimah Samson Both of Plymouth

26 A purpose of Marriage, Between William Barnes, and Marcy Lemote both of Plymouth

May 3 A Purpose of Marriage Between Ebenezer Churchell Jun^{r} and Jean Fisher Both of Plymouth Charg^{d} R Roberts

June 28 A Purpose of Marriage Betwen M^{r} Andrew Thomson And M^{rs} Elizabeth Murdoch Both of Plymouth

* Page 112 was omitted, in numbering.

July 5 A Purpose of Marriage, Between George Stephens of Providence, In y^e^ Collony of Rhode Island &c. And Elizabeth Donham of Plymouth

19 A purpose of Marriage, Between John Marshall, & Jerusha Watkins, Both of Plymouth

Aug^st^ 16. A purpose of Marriage, Between, Between M^r^ William Sever of Kingston, And M^rs^ Sarah Warren of Plymouth

16 A Purpose of Marriage, Between, George Little of Plymouth; And Abigail Soul of Plimton Spoke for ℔ W. Rich

Oct^r^ 10 A Purpose of Marriage, Between James Cole of Plimton, and Deborah Davenport of Plymouth

17 A purpose of Marriage, Between John Donham; And Mary Thomas, Spoke for Eben^r^ Donham Jun^r^

25 A purpose of Marriage, Between Charles Boult, and Lydia Curtis, both of Plymouth

Nov^r^ 1 A purpose of Marriage between Thomas Roberson, and Elizabeth Collons, Both of Plymouth

1 A purpose of Marriage, Between, Benjamin Robbens of Plymouth, & Abigail Cushman of Kingston

1 A Purpose of Marriage, Between Josiah West of Plymouth, and Elizabeth Griffen of Plimton

8^th^ A Purpose of Marriage, Between Sam^ll^ Donham Jun^r^ And Susannah Thomas, both of Plymouth

15 A Purpose of Marriage, Between M^r^ Samuell Dogget, And M^rs^ Deborah Foster, Both of Plymouth

A Purpose of Marriage Between Joshua Holmes, and Hannah Doten, Both of Plymouth Spoke ℔ Thomas Mitchel

22 A Purpose of Marriage, Between Cap^t^ Nathan Delano and M^rs^ Sarah Cobb, Both of Plymouth

A Purpose of Marriage Between William Keen and Margret Drew Both of Plymouth Spoke for ℔ Nicolas Drew

29 A Purpose of Marriage, Between John Bartlett Jun^r^, and Sarah Bartlett, Both of Plymouth

Dec^r^ 3 A Purpose of Marriage Between Thomas Mitchell and Elizabeth Totman Both of Plymouth

[p. 114] 1755. In Order For Marriage

Dec^r^ 6. A Purpose of Marriage, Between, M^r^ Benjamin Lincoln of Taunton; And M^rs^ Marcy Carver of Plym^o^

1756 Feb^ry^ 3 A Purpose of Marriage, Between Joshua Prat of Plimton, and Eunice Jackson of Plymouth Spoke for ℔ Seth Fuller Abiels Son, w^th^ Cirtificate

21 A Purpose of Marriage Between John Cornish & Lydia Shurtleff Both of Plymouth

28 A Purpose of Marriage Between James Carver and Hope Doten Both of Plymouth

A Purpose of Marriage Between Ebenezer Donham Jun^r^ and Hannah Morton (Daughter of Lydia Morton) Both of Plymouth

March 13. A Purpose of Marriage, Between Micah Sepit, & Mary Sepit, Both of Plymouth, Indians

17 A Purpose of Marriage, Between, Thomas Cornish, and Ann Bates, both of Plymouth

20 A Purpose of Marriage Between Benjamin Holmes, and Rebeckah Drew Both of Plymouth

April 10 A Purpose of Marriage Between Territ Lester Now of Plymouth and Sarah Little of Plymouth

17 A Purpose of Marriage Between M^{r} David Turner and M^{rs} Rebeckah Warren Both of Plymouth

24 A Purpose of Marriage Between Nathaniel Washburn and Mary Rider Both of Plymouth

May 15 A Purpose of Marriage Between Nathaniel Bartlett Jun^{r} & Lydia Barnes (Daughter of Lemuel Barnes Deceas^{d}) Both of Plymouth

22 A Purpose of Marriage; Between James Bunker of Sherburn in the County of Nantuckit, & Hannah Shurtleff of Plymouth

27 A Purpose of Marriage Between John Jones & Lydia Tinkcom Both of Plymouth

June 5 A Purpose of Marriage, Between M^{r} William Chambers and m^{rs} Susannah Lemote; Both of Plymouth

12 A Purpose of Marriage Between Quosh, (Negro Man Servant To Doct^{r} Lazarus LeBarron) and Phillis (Negro Woman, Servant To Cap^{t} Theophilus Cotton,) Both of Plymouth

23 A Purpose of Marriage, Between Pero Molatta Man; & Hannah Malatta Woman; Both Slaves to M^{r} John Murdoch of Plymouth Charg^{d} Murdoch

July 3 A Purpose of Marriage Between Ebenezer Holmes Jun^{r} & Hannah Nellson Both of Plymouth

July 9 A Purpose of Marriage, Between Joshua Totman & Elizabeth Rogers, Both of Plym^{o} Spoke for ℔ John Churchell Jun^{r}

July 9 A Purpose of Marriage, Between, Barnabas Fountain of Plymouth And Elizabeth Joyce of Marshfield, Spoke for ℔ T. Burbank Jun^{r}

(*To be continued*)

FORM FOR A BEQUEST

I GIVE and bequeath to the Society of Mayflower Descendants, a corporation organized under the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, the sum of.....dollars.

BRIDGET AND SAMUEL FULLER'S DEED TO THE CHURCH AT PLYMOUTH

By the Editor

On 1 March, 1664, Old Style, or 11 March, 1665, in New Style dating, Dr. Samuel[1] Fuller's widow, Bridget (Lee) Fuller, and their son Samuel[2] Fuller* conveyed to the Church of Plymouth a half acre of land for the use of the minister.

A literal copy of the entire deed, transcribed from the Plymouth Colony Records of Deeds, Volume III, Part 1, page 7, is here printed.

[Bridget and Samuel Fuller to Plymouth Church]

1664 Prence Gov^r^ :

A Deed appointed to bee Recorded

To all whom these p^r^sents may Concerne

Know yea that wee Bridgett Fuller and Samuell Fuller both of the towne of Plymouth in the Jurisdiction of New Plymouth for severall Reasons moveing us therunto; Doe by these p^r^sents freely give graunt and Confeirme unto the church of Plymouth now in being for the use of a minnester; a Certaine medstead or garden plott being halfe an acree more or less lying in the towne of Plymouth between a garden plott that was somtimes M^r^ Howlands and anoth[er] garden plott that was goodman Foards; To have and to hold the said garden plott with all the privilidges belonging therunto; To the onely proper use of the Church of Plymouth [successively†] for the ends abovesaid; to them and to the said Church successively for ever; in Witnes heerof wee have mutually sett to our hands this first of March in the yeare one Thousand six hundred sixty foure

In the presence of us Thomas Cushman
Jacob Cooke his I C his marke

Bridgett Fuller
Samuell Fuller;

* He later became Rev. Samuel Fuller of Middleborough, Mass.

† This word has a line drawn through it.

THE ESTATES OF PETER AND EBENEZER TOMSON

By the Editor

Peter Tomson[4] (*John*[3], *Mary*[2] *Cooke, Francis*[1]) was born at Middleborough, Mass., on 11 May, 1694, and his brother Ebenezer Tomson[4] was born there, on 19 June, 1699. Both lived in Middleborough, and both died, unmarried, after 19 October, 1724, the date of their father's will*.

Peter Tomson[4] died before 23 June, 1726, when his brothers John Tomson[4] and Ephraim Tomson[4] were appointed administrators of his estate.

Ebenezer Tomson[4] died before 22 March, 1726/7, when his brother John Tomson[4] was appointed administrator of his estate.

The "Descendants of John Thomson" (Lansing, Mich., 1890) incorrectly states that Peter married "Sarah Wood", and that Ebenezer "probably died young"; but the father's will and the settlement of the two estates prove that Peter was between thirty and thirty-two when he died, that Ebenezer was between twenty-five and twenty-seven, and that both died unmarried.

We here print exhaustive abstracts of all records, and original documents on file, in the Plymouth County, Mass., Registry of Probate, relating to the settlement of the estates of Peter Tomson[4] and his brother Ebenezer, which were divided among their nine surviving brothers and sisters.

[Estate of Peter Tomson[4]]

[5:141] On 23 June, 1726, "m[r] John Tomson of Plympton & m[r] Ephraim Tomson of middleboro" were appointed administrators on the estate of "your Brother Peter Tomson late of middleboro . . . . dyed Intestate"

[From original bond] On 23 June, 1726, "John Tomson" of Plympton, and "Ephraim Tomson" of Middleborough, as administrators, with "Jacob Tomson" of Middleborough, as surety, gave a bond for £100. The witnesses were Mary Little and Sarah Little. [The bond was not recorded.]

* Mayflower Descendant, 20:159–163.

[From original warrant] On 23 June, 1726, "mr Peter Tomson mr James Soul of Middleborough and David Bosworth of Plimton" were appointed appraisers of the estate. [Also recorded, 5:229.]

[From original inventory] An inventory of the real and personal estate was taken at Middleborough, 16 December, 1726, by "James Soul", "Peter Tomson" and "David Bozworth". The real estate was "his Lots of Land in the Sixteen Shilling Purchas in . . . . middleborough as followeth viz in the first alotment the first Lot" £45; "the fourth Lot" £45; "the fourtieth Lot" £40; "his 40 acares at home" £55; "his meadow at winatuxset medows" £35; "his Sedar Samp*" £5. The total of the inventory was £267, 2s., 3d.

On 9 March, 1726/7, the two administrators and the three appraisers made oath to the inventory, before Isaac Winslow, Judge of Probate. [Also recorded, 5:229.]

[7:47] "A Settlement of the Estates of Peter Tomson & Ebenezer Tomson (that deceased without Issue) the Sons of M^r^ John Tomson of Middleborough . . . . Yeomen deceas^d^ amongst their Brethren & Sisters y^e^ Survivors of the s^d^ Peter Tomson and Ebenezer Tomson" was made, 18 June, 1728, as follows:

"John Tomson the Eldest Brother to the Deceas^ds^ Shall have . . . . The thirty ninth Lot of Land in the Second allotment in .... the Sixteen Shilling Purchase, that did belong to his Brother Ebenezer Tomson being in Middleborough afores^d^ — Also in moveables" £19, 7s., 4d., "in full of his Part"

"Ephraim Tomson Brother to the s^d^ Deceas^ds^ shall have . . . . The fourty eighth Lot of Land in the first allotment in . . . . the Sixteen Shilling Purchase, in . . . . Middleborough afores^d^ . Also in moveables" £11, 4s., 1d., "in full of his Part . Only he paid to John 3^£^ 16^s^ 9^d^"

"Shubael Tomson Brother to y^e^ s^d^ Deceas^ds^ shall have . . . . the One half of the fourth Lot in Number in the first Allotment in . . . . the Sixteen Shilling Purchase in . . . . Middleborough, which did belong to his Brother Peter Tomson, and Also his Brother Ebenezer's Interest in the great Cedar Swamp in the Maj^rs^ Purchase, And also in moveables" £19, 17s., 4d., "in full of his Part"

"Thomas Tomson Brother to the s^d^ Deceas^ds^ shall have . . . . the first Lot in Number in the first Allotment in . . . . the Sixteen Shilling Purchase in . . . . Middleborough which did belong to his

* Swamp.

Brother Peter : Also in moveables" £7, 8s., 4d., "in full of his Part"

"Francis Tomson Brother to y^e^ s^d^ Deceas^ds^ shall have .... the fourty acres of Land that was his Brother Peters, which he bought of Ichabod Standish; also Peters Interest in the great Cedar Swamp in y^e^ Maj^rs^ Purchase; Also Peters Interest in a Lot of meadow lying on the South Side of Colchester Brook in Plimton, With his Interest in the two Acres of Land lying adjoyning to y^e^ South Side of s^d^ meadow : also in moveables" 13s., 3d., "Now because Francis had so much more than the Rest of his Brethren in Land, Cedar Swamp, meadow, & moveables, He has paid to his three Brethren, viz : Shubael, John, & Jacob, & to his three Sisters viz, Mary, Martha, & Sarah," £47, 12s., 5d., "The Rest is in full of his Part"

"Jacob Tomson Brother to y^e^ s^d^ Deceas^ds^ shall have .... The One half of the fourth Lot in Number in the first allotment in .... the Sixteen Shilling Purchase in .... Middleborough which did belong to his Brother Peter Tomson; Also in moveables & other Pay" £24, 17s., 4d., "in full of his Part"

"Mary Tomson Eldest Sister to y^e^ s^d^ Deceas^ds^ shall have .... One third Part of her Brother Ebenezer Tomsons Hundred Acres of Upland, & one third Part of the Two Acres of meadow lying adjoyning thereto in the 26. mens Purchase: Also in moveables & by Francis her Brother paid" £17, 7s., 4d., "in full of her Part"

"Martha Tomson Sister to y^e^ s^d^ Deceas^ds^ shall have .... One third Part of her Brother Ebenezer Tomsons Hundred acres of Upland, & one third part of the two Acres of meadow lying adjoyning thereto in the 26. mens Purchase; also in moveables & paid to her, by her Brother Francis Tomson" £17, 7s., 4d., "in full of her Part"

"Sarah Tomson Sister to y^e^ s^d^ Deceas^ds^ shall have .... One third Part of her Brother Ebenezer Tomsons Hundred Acres of Upland, & one third Part of the two acres of meadow lying adjoyning thereto in y^e^ 26 . mens Purchase; also in moveables & paid to her by her Brother Francis Tomson" £17, 7s., 4d., "in full of her Part"

The settlement was signed by John Tomson, Ephraim Tomson, Shubael Tomson, Thomas Tomson, Jr., Francis Tomson, Jacob Tomson, Jr., Mary Tomson (by a mark), Martha Tomson (by a mark), and Sarah Tomson (by a mark).

The witnesses were Jacob Tomson and Ichabod Standish.

On 22 June, 1728, John Tomson, Ephraim Tomson, Shubael

Tomson, Thomas Tomson, Jr., Francis Tomson, Mary Tomson and Sarah Tomson acknowledged the agreement, before Isaac Winslow, Judge of Probate.

Martha Tomson and Jacob Tomson acknowledged the agreement, on 6 March, 1728/9, before Isaac Winslow, Judge of Probate.

[Estate of Ebenezer Tomson[4]]

[5 : 302] On 22 March, 1726/7, "m[r] John Tompson of Plymouth*" was appointed administrator on the estate of "your Brother Ebenezer Tompson late of middleborough . . . . dyed Intestate"

[From unrecorded bond] On 22 March, 1726/7†, "John Tomson" of "Plimpton", as administrator, with "Thomas Tomson" and "Jacob Tomson" of Middleborough as sureties, gave a bond of £200. The witnesses were: "Cornelus Briggs" and Thomas Read (by a mark).

[From original warrant] On 22 March, 1726/7, "mr Peter Tomson of Plimpton mr Thomas Tomson and mr Jacob Tomson of Middleborough" were appointed appraisers of the estate. [Also recorded, 5 : 377]

[From original inventory] On 1 May, 1728, the inventory was taken at Middleborough, by "Thomas Tomson", "Peter Tomson" and "Jacob Tomson". The real estate was: "his hundred acre lot of upland with his two acres of meadow at the foot of Said lot Lying butting on namasket River in the twenty Six mens purchase in . . . . Middleborough" £90; "his Lot at y[e] beach woods being in number the 39[th] lot in the Second allotment in . . . . the Sixteen Shilling purchase in . . . . Middleborough" £28; "his Intrest in the Second lot in the great cedar Swamp in . . . . the Majors purchase in the Township of pembrook" £5. The total of the inventory was £183, 11s. 5d.

On 1 May, 1728, the administrator and the three appraisers made oath to the inventory, before Isaac Winslow, Judge of Probate. [Also recorded, 5 : 377]

[7 : 47] See the estate of Peter Tomson[4] for the joint division of the two estates.

* This probably should have been recorded "Plimpton", as in the bond.

† This date was written "One Thousand seven hundred and twenty seven"; but the fact that the administrator was required, by the bond, to render an account on 1 September, 1727, shows that the date of the bond should be 22 March, 1726/7.

HARWICH, MASS., VITAL RECORDS

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(*Continued from Vol. XXIV, p. 154*)

[p. 34] These Are to Enter ye Intention of Marriage between Mr Seth Mirick of Harwich & Mrs Eliza Brown of Eastham Januy 14th A Domani 1743

These are to Enter ye Intentions of Marriage between Selvanus Harding of Chatham & Keziah Burge of Harwich Feby 18th A Domani 1743

These are to Enter ye Intention of Marriage between Samuel Bangs & Hannah Wing both of Harwich Feby 25th A D 1743

These are to Enter ye Intention of Marriage between Joshua Rodgers & Eliza Cole both of Harwich March 17 1743

These Are to Enter ye Intention of Marriage between Nathl Knowles of Eastham & Mary Maker of Harwich April 21st 1744

These are to Enter ye Intentions of Marriage between Rubin Eldredg of Harwich & Hannah OKilley of Yarmouth May 19th 1744

These are to Enter ye Intention of Marriage between Jabin Berry of Yarmouth & Rebeca Gray of Harwich July 21st 1744

These are to Enter ye Intention of Marrige between Mr Asa Selew of Harwich and Mrs Mercy Cob of Truro Augst 18th A D 1744

These Are to Enter ye Intentions of Marriage between Mr Jonathan Hopkins & Mrs Rebecca Freeman both of Harwich Augst 25 A D 1744

These are to Enter ye Intention of Marriage between Joseph Phillips & Mercy Small both of Harwich Augst 25th 1744

William Broadbrook & Mary Cohoon Entention of Marriag Entd Septr 1744

These are to Enter ye Intention of Mariage between Daniel Larrence & Su Ralph both of Harwich Septr 15 1744

These Are to Enter ye Intentions of Marriage between Jeremiah Lincoln & Mary Bangs both of Harwich Octr 27th 1744

These Are to Enter ye Intention of Marriage between Thomas Mayo of Harwich & Hannah Atkin of Eastham Dcembr 22d 1744

These are to Enter ye Intention of Marriage between Rubin Eldredg of Harwich & Jerusha OKilley of Yarmouth Dcembr 29th 1744

These are to Enter ye Intention of Marriage between Mr Isaac Pearce of Eastham & Mrs Easter Covil of Harwich Feby 2d A D 1744

These Are to Enter ye Intentions of Marriage between Mr Isaac Smith of Eastham & Mrs Mary Freeman of Harwich Feby 2d A D 1744

These Are to Enter ye Intention of Marriage between Ebenez Chase of Harwich & Susanah Berry of Yarmouth Feby 2d 1744

These Are to Enter y^e^ Intention of Marriage between Dean Smith & Rachel Hopkins both of Harwich Feb^y^ 2^d^ 1744

These Are to Enter y^e^ Intention of Marriage between Capt Daniel Sears Ju^r^ of Chatham & M^rs^ Fear Freeman of Harwich Feb^y^ 23 A D 1744

These Are to Enter y^e^ Intention of Marriage between John Hurd & Tabitha Crosbe both of Harwich March 9^th^ 1744

[p. 35] These Are to Enter y^e^ Intention of Marriage betwen Gershom Wheeldon of Yarmouth & Presilla Nickoson of Harwich April 6 1745

These are to Enter y^e^ Intention of Marriage betwen Joseph Gould of Harwich & Hannah Godfrey of Chatham June 6 A D 1745

These Are to Enter y^e^ Intention of Marriage between Joshua Nickoson & Thankfull Eldredg both of Harwich June 28^th^ 1745

These are to Enter y^e^ Intention of Marriage between M^r^ Barnabass Griffith & M^rs^ Hannah Lincoln* both of Harwich July 27^th^ A D 1745

These Are to Enter y^e^ Intention of Marriage between Lemuel Eldredg of Yarmouth & Reliance Mayo of Harwich Aug^st^ 17^th^ 1745

These are to Enter y^e^ Intention of Marriage between Jacob Horney & Deliverance Cowet both of Harwich Sep 6^th^ A D 1745

These are to Enter y^e^ Intention of Marriage between W^m^ Cohoon & Eliz Gallop both of Harwich

These are to Enter y^e^ Intention of Marrige between Samuel Nickoson Jr & Hannah Phillip both of Harwich Oct^r^ 4^th^ 1745

These Are to Enter y^e^ Intention of Marriage between Rubin Wixon of Yarmouth & Dorkis Chase of Harwich Oct^r^ 12^th^ 1745

These Are to Enter y^e^ Intention of Marriage between John King Ju^r^ & Margaret Lincoln both of Harwich Oct^r^ 26^th^ 1745

These are to Enter y^e^ Intention of Marriage between Isaac Nickoson of Harwich & Thankfull German of Yarmouth Novemb^r^ 9^th^ 1745

These are to Enter y^e^ Intention of Marriage between Benjamin Hurd of Harwich & Martha Godfrey of Chatham Jan^y^ 11^th^ A D 1745

Then Shubel Nickoson of Harwich & Thankfull Bearce of Barnstable† had there Intention of Marriage Entred Jan^y^ 25^th^ A Dom 1745

These are to Enter y^e^ Intention of Marriage between Danel Laurence & Hannah Cowit of Harwich Feb^y^ 8^th^ 1745

These are to Enter the Intention of Marriage between Elisha Higgins of Eastham & Rachel Hopkins of Harwich March 22^d^ 1745

These are to Enter y^e^ Intenton of Marriag between M^r^ Kenelm Winslow of Harwich & M^rs^ Abigail Sturgis of Yarmouth April 12 1746

* "Hopk" was first written, but was crossed out, and the entry completed as printed.

† "Yarmouth" was first written, but was crossed out, and "Barnstable" interlined in the same hand.

These are to Enter y^e^ Intention of Marriage betwen Jabiz Jacobs & Elizabeth Cowit both of Harwich April 18^th^ 1746

These are to Enter y^e^ Intentions of Marriage between David Hall of Yarmouth & Tamsen Sears of Harwich April 22^d^ 1746

These Are to Enter y^e^ Intentions of Marriage between Nathan Quog & Patianc Jacobs both of Harwich April 26^th^ 1746

[p. 36] These are to Enter y^e^ Intentions of Marriage between M^r^ Jonathan Hall of Harwich & M^rs^ Elizabeth Hedg of Chatham May 10^th^ 1746

These Are to Enter y^e^ Intentions of Marriage between M^r^ Joseph Haws of Yarmouth & M^rs^ Sarah Hopkins of Harwich June 14^th^ A D 1746

These Are to Enter y^e^ Intentions of Marriage betwen Nath^l^ Foster & Phebe Wing both of Harwich June 21 1746

These are to Enter y^e^ Intentions of Marriage between Simeon Baker of Yarmouth & Sarah Small of Harwich July 5^th^ 1746

These Are to Enter y^e^ Intentions of Marriage between Joshua Pompmo & Else Porrage both of Harwich Aug^st^ 9^th^ 1746

These Are to Enter y^e^ Intentions of Marriage betwen Joshua Hurd of Harwich & Elizabeth Pain of Eastham Aug^st^ 16^th^ 1746

These Are to Enter y^e^ Intentions of Marriage between Joseph Nickerson of Harwich & Martha Godfrey of Yarmouth Aug^st^ 23^d^ 1746

These are to Enter y^e^ Intentions of Marriage between y^e^ Rev^d^ M^r^ Josiah Dennis of Yarmouth & M^rs^ Phebe Bangs of Harwich Aug^st^ 30^th^ A Domeny 1746

These are to Enter y^e^ Intentions of Marriage between Eli Fuller of Barnstable & Mercy Rodger of Harwich Sept^r^ 6^d^ A D 1746

These Are to Enter y^e^ Intentions of Marriage between Josiah Swift & Desire Broadbrooks both of Harwich Sept^r^ 6^th^ A D 1746

These Are to Enter y^e^ Intentions of Marriage between M^r^ Ephraim Covil of Harwich & M^rs^ Mary Taylor of Chatham Sept^r^ 20^th^ A Dom 1746

These Are to Enter y^e^ Intentions of Marriage between M^r^ Ebanezer Nickerson Jun^r^ of Chatham & M^rs^ Mahitable Gray of Harwich Sept 27^th^ 1746

These Are to Enter y^e^ Intention of Marriage between M^r^ Sealed Lander of Harwich & M^rs^ Sarah Crowel of Yarmouth Sept^r^ 27^th^ 1746

These Are to Enter y^e^ Intention of Marriage between M^r^ Ebanezer Crocker of Barnstable & M^rs^ Zeruiah Winslow of Harwich Nov^r^ 14^th^ 1746

These Are to Enter y^e^ Intentions of Marriage between Benjamin Mayo of Eastham & Sarah Snow of Harwich Nov^r^ 29^th^ 1746

[p. 37] These Are to Enter y^e^ Intentions of Marriage between Nehemiah Nickerson of Chatham & Hannah Nickerson of Harwich Nov 29^th^ 1746

These are to Enter ye Intentions of Marriage between Samuel Ellis Jur & Elizabeth Cohoon both of Harwich Novr 29th 1746.

These Are to Enter ye Intentions of Marriage between Richard Rodgers of Harwich & Sarah Higgins of Eastham Decembr 20th 1746

These Are to Enter ye Intentions of Marriage betwen Moses Crosbe of Harwich & Abigal Sparrow of Eastham April 10th 1747

These Are to Enter ye Intentions of Marriage between James Gage of Harwich & Mercy Baker of Yarmouth June 6th 1747

These Are to Enter ye Intention of Marriage between Eleazer Rodgers of Harwich & Ruth Higgins of Eastham June 6th 1747

These Are to Enter ye Intentions of Marriage between Mr John Hall of Yarmouth & Mrs Abigal Mayo of Harwich July 4th 1747

These Are to Enter ye Intentions of Marriage between Mr Ebenezer Hurd of Harwich & Mrs Mary Chipman of Eastham July 16th 1747

These Are to Enter ye Intentions of Marriag between Ebenezer Broadbrooks & Lidia Small both of Harwich Augst 1st 1747

These Are to Enter ye Intentions of Marriage between Ebanezer Hurd of Harwich & Elizabeth Wessen of Chatham Augst 1 1747

These Are to Enter ye Intentions of Marriag between Beria Broadbrook & Temperanc Phillips both of Harwich Augst 15th 1747

These Are to Enter ye Intention of Marriage between Samuel Pain & Sarah Mayo both of Harwich Aug 29th 1747

These Are to Enter ye Intentions of Marriage between Zechariah Small Jur & Bethiah Severanc both of Harwich Septr 12th 1747

These are to Enter ye Intentions of Marriage between William Chase & Patiance Walker both of Harwich Septr 26th 1747

[p. 38] March ye 2d 1742 Then Amiel Weeks & Phebe Small both of Harwich ware Married In Harwich ℔ Joseph Doane Justice of Peace

March ye 3d 1742 Then Cornelious Ellis Jur & Mahittabl Clark both of Harwich ware Married In Harwich ℔ Joseph Done Justice Peace

April 27th 1743 Then Joshua Godfrey of Chatham & Phebe Gould of Harwich ware Married In Harwich ℔ Joseph Doane Justice of Peace

July 7th 1742 Then Nathl Stone Jr of Harwich & Mary Bourn of Barnstable ware Married in Harwich by ye Revd Nathl Stone

July 28 1742 Then Thomas Burge & Mary Covil both of Harwich ware Married in Harwich ℔ Revd Nathl Stone

Septembr 9th 1742 Then Benja Allen of Chillmark & Eliza Doan of Harwich ware Married ℔ Revd Nathl Stone

Septr 23d 1742 Then Zachary Cowit & Hester Tom both of Harwich ware Married in Harwich ℔ Revd Nathl Stone

Sept 9th 1742 Then Nathl Hopkins Jur & Abigail Mirick both of Harwich ware Married in Harwich ℔ ye Revd Nathl Stone

October y^e^ 7^th^ 1742 Then Isaac Crosbe & Marcy Foster both of Harwich ware Married in Harwich ℔ y^e^ Rev^d^ Nath^l^ Stone

Oct^r^ 29^th^ 1742 Then Thomas Murfy of Truro & Bridget Marnon of Harwich ware Married in Harwich ℔ y^e^ Rev^d^ Nath^l^ Stone

Jan^y^ 20^th^ 1742 Then Fortine Negro of Harwich & Nancy of Barnstable ware Married in Harwich ℔ y^e^ Rev^d^ Nath^l^ Stone

March 10^th^ 1742 Then Moses Mayo & Phebe Freeman both of Harwich ware Married in Harwich ℔ y^e^ Rev^d^ Nath^l^ Stone

April 8^th^ 1743 Seth Dexter & Eliz^a^ Lincoln both of Harwich ware Married in Harwich ℔ y^e^ Rev^d^ Nath^l^ Stone

April 21^st^ 1743 Then Hezakiah Baxter of Yarmouth and Debarough Nickoson of Harwich ware Maried ℔ Rev^d^ Nath^l^ Stone

June 9^th^ 1743 Then Silas Sears of Yarmouth & Deberough Buck of Harwich ware Married ℔ y^e^ Rev^d^ Nath^l^ Stone

June 30 Then Lott Gray J^r^ & Mirriam Smith both of Harwich ware Married ℔ Rev^d^ Nath^l^ Stone

Septemb^r^ 21^st^ 1743 Then Heman Stone & Lydia Gray both of Harwch ware Married In Harwich ℔ Rev^d^ Nath^l^ Stone

Sept^r^ 22^d^ 1743 Then Nath^l^ Clark & Lydia Freeman both of Harwich ware Married in Harwich ℔ Rev^d^ Nath Stone

Sept 15^th^ 1743 Then Samuel Weeber of Yarmouth & Mary Nickoson of Harwich ware Married ℔ Joseph Doane Justic Peace

Nov^r^ 16^th^ 1743 Then y^e^ Rev^d^ M^r^ Joseph Lord of Chatham & Bethiah Smith of Eastham ware Married ℔ y^e^ Rev^d^ Nath^l^ Stone

Decemb^r^ 14^th^ 1743 Then Thom^s^ Clark Esq^r^ & M^rs^ Patienc Hall both of Harwch ware Married ℔ Rev^d^ Nath^l^ Stone

Jan^y^ 5^th^ 1743 Then Zacheus Rodger of Harwich & Eliz^a^ King of Eastham ware Married ℔ Rev^d^ Nath^l^ Stone

(*To be continued*)

PLYMOUTH COLONY RECORDS OF DEEDS

ABSTRACTS OF THE RECORDS IN VOLUME III

By the Editor

(*Continued from Vol. XIX, p. 107*)

[Each abstract includes all names of persons and places mentioned in the deed, and the names of the witnesses. The complete description of the land conveyed will not be printed unless the deed is of especial interest. When such a description is printed, the fact will be noted.]

[Edward Gilman to Joseph Peck*]

[3 : 5] 1664 Prence Gov^{r}:

"Edward Gilman of Ipswich .... Massachusetts hath .... sold unto Josepth Pecke the younger of Rehoboth all his house lands and meddowes and comons within the Towne of Rehoboth .... to enter the meddow and the house and all other his accomodations; the 29th of the seaventh month† except eleven acrees of which hee is to enter foure acree[s] the 29th of the seaventh month 1651 and three acrees att or upon the 29th of the seaventh month 1652 and 4 acrees att or upon the 29th of the seaventh month 1653 .... in consideration of the aforsaid bargaine the aforsaid Josepth Pecke Jun^{r} is to pay" £45 "in manor .... following that is to say" £15 "att or upon" 29 September, 1650, and £15 "att or upon" 29 September, 1651, and £15 "att or upon" 29 September, 1652.

The deed was signed by Edward Gilman and Joseph Peck, Jr., and witnessed by John Peck.

[On the inner margin of the page, opposite this deed, is written: "of this see more eleven pages forwards in this booke".]

"The pticulares of the land above in generall mentioned containes

"first twelve acrees .... upon the east side of the towne butting upon the comon on the south west; Thomas Cooper Jun^{r} on the northwest & Peter Hunt on the North east", £306 "of Comoning belonging to these lands the home lott is to bee recorded first in order

Richard Bullocke

"2 thirty five acrees .... in the 2^{cond} Devision being the 46 lott buting on the highway to the south and Stephen Paine Jun^{r} on the west James Riddaway on the east the Comon on the north

"3 three acrees and an halfe and fifteen Rodd .... of fresh mersh lying in the 40 acrees being the 46 lott buting on the woodland on the East John Reed on the north Robert Abell on the south and the wood land on the west

"4 seaven acrees and an halfe and thirty Rodd of salt marsh .... neare the hundred acrees buting on the woodland on the east Samuell Carpenter on the north John Fitch on the south and the River on the west

* Complete description here printed.

† The seventh month was September, in Old Style dating.

"5 twenty two acrees and an halfe of upland . . . . upon Wachemaquate Necke being the thirtieth lott buting on the Comon southeast Thomas Loringe on the southwest James Riddaway on the Northwest

"6 one lott upon the great plaine and twelve acrees and a quarter . . . . on the west side of the plaine being the fourth lott buting on the highway on the east widdow martins on the south James Riddaway on the north; the woodland on the west

"7 one lott on the east side of the great plaine containing twelve acrees and a quarter . . . . being in Number the 4th buting on the highway on the east widdow martin on the south James Riddw[ay] on the north the woodland on the east;

"This is a true Coppy taken out of the records of the Towne of Rehoboth by mee

Richard Bullock[e] Clarke"

[Grant to Robert Abell *]

"The 28th of March 1653 It was Concluded on that Robert Abell shall have three acrees of meddow on the north side of the line next the towne, in the new meddow next the line that pteth the lands of the purchasers and the towne of Rehoboth this meddow was given him by mr Prence Captaine Standish and mr Winslow

"This is a true Coppy taken out of the Records of the Towne of Rehoboth p me

Richard Bullocke Clarke"

[John Woodcock to Joseph Carpenter *]

On 1 January, 1660, John Woodcocke, of Rehoboth, "upon grounds . . . . moveing mee therunto . . . . now sett over a pcell of land five acre[s] more or lesse Scittuate att Nichigansett neare to . . . . Bowins bridge; unto Josepth Carpenter of the same Towne . . . . The said land . . . . one end bounded by the highway that runeth south; and one side bounded by the aforsaid John Woodcockes land that his house standeth upon"

The deed was signed by John Woodcock (by a mark) and Sara Woodcock (by a mark), and was witnessed by William Carpenter and William Sabin. It was acknowledged "by the pties Concerned in it" 21 April, 1663, before Thomas Willett.

(*To be continued*)

* Complete description here printed.

"THE PRESENT ESTATE OF NEW-PLIMOTH" IN 1624*

THE following account of Plymouth, in 1624, is reprinted from Capt. John Smith's "The General Historie of Virginia, New-England, and the Summer Isles . . . . to this present 1626." The copy from which the present transcript has been made was printed in London, in 1627, and is now in the Boston, Mass., Public Library. It was formerly the property of Rev. Thomas Prince of Boston; and the marginal notes in his hand prove that it was used by Prince in writing his "Chronological History of New-England" published in 1736. His marginal notes on this description of Plymouth are here printed as footnotes.

This account of Plymouth is found at page 247 of "The Generall Historie"; and on the right-hand margin, opposite the first line, was printed: "The present estate of the plantation at New-Plimoth. 1624."

The present estate of New-Plimoth.

AT *New-Plimoth* there is about 180 persons, some cattell and goats, but many swine and poultry, 32 dwelling houses, whereof 7† were burnt the last winter, and the value of five hundred pounds in other goods; the Towne is impailed about halfe a mile compasse. In the towne upon a high Mount they have a Fort well built with wood, lome, and stone, where is planted their Ordnance: Also a faire Watch-tower, partly framed for the Sentinell, the place it seems is healthfull, for in these last three yeeres, notwithstanding their great want of most necessaries, there hath not one died of the first planters, they have made a

* This article was originally printed in the third volume of "Pilgrim Notes and Queries", a monthly magazine published by the Massachusetts Society of Mayflower Descendants, from 1913 to 1917, inclusive, but discontinued on account of the World War. We here reprint the article because about two-thirds of the present members of the Society have been elected since it first appeared, and have not, therefore, had an opportunity to read this contemporary account of Plymouth Plantation.— Editor.

† A marginal note in the hand of Rev. Thomas Prince reads: "Govr Bradford mentions but 4 or 5 burnt ye last winter. But with ye 2 Burnt in 1621 Capt Smith might Say yr had been 7 Burnt in all."— EDITOR.

saltworke*, and with that salt preserve the fish they take, and this yeare hath fraughted a ship of 180. tunnes. The Governour is one Mr. *William Bradford,* their Captaine *Miles Standish,* a bred Souldier in *Holland;* the chiefe men for their assistance is Master *Isaak Alderton,* and divers others as occasion serveth; their Preachers are Master *William Bruster* and Master *John Layford.*

The most of them live together as one family or houshold, yet every man followeth his trade and profession both by sea and land, and all for a generall stocke, out of which they have all their maintenance, untill there be a divident betwixt the Planters and the Adventurers. Those Planters are not servants to the Adventurers here, but have only councells of directions from them, but no iniunctions or command, and all the masters of families are partners in land or whatsoever, setting their labours against the stocke, till certaine yeeres be expired for the division: they have young men and boies for their Apprentises and servants, and some of them speciall families, as Ship-carpenters, Salt-makers, Fish-masters, yet as servants upon great wages. The Adventurers which raised the stocke to begin and supply this Plantation were about 70. some Gentlemen, some Merchants, some handy-crafts men, some adventuring great summes, some small, as their estates and affection served. The generall stocke already imploied is about 7000. £. by reason of which charge and many crosses, many of them would adventure no more, but others that knowes, so great a designe cannot bee effected without both charge, losse and crosses, are resolved to goe forward with it to their powers; which deserve no small commendations and encouragement. These dwell most about *London,* they are not a corporation, but knit together by a voluntary combination in a society without constraint or penalty, aiming to doe good & to plant Religion; they have a President & Treasurer, every yeere newly chosen by the most voices, who ordereth the affaires of their Courts and meetings, and with the assent of the most of them, undertaketh all ordinary businesses, but in more weighty affaires, the assent of the whole Company is required. There hath beene a fishing this yeere upon the Coast about 50. English ships: and by Cape *Anne,* there is a Plantation a beginning by the Dorchester men, which they hold of those of *New-Plimoth,* who also by them have set up a fishing worke; some talke there is some other pretended Plantations, all whose good proceedings the eternal God protect and preserve.

* A marginal note in the hand of Rev. Thomas Prince reads: "yy essay'd to make one, but wr disappointed, as Govr Bradford informs us."— EDITOR.

THE ESTATES OF ELIZABETH AND MARY SPROUT[3] AND A DEED FROM JAMES SPROUT[3]

By the Editor

Elizabeth Sprout[3], daughter of Robert Sprout of Scituate and Middleborough, Mass., was born at Scituate, in July, 1664, and her sister Mary Sprout[3] was born there, on 1 May, 1666. Their mother was Elizabeth[2] Samson, daughter of Henry[1] Samson, the Mayflower Passenger.

By the will* of Robert Sprout, dated 23 November, 1711, and probated 11 December, 1712, his unmarried daughters Elizabeth Sprout[3] and Mary Sprout[3] received certain real estate at Middleborough. They sold a part of this land to Thomas Hayford, on 12 December, 1719, and the deed, here presented, shows that their mother, who was living at the date of her husband's will, had since deceased.

On 8 November, 1726, James Sprout[3] was appointed administrator of the joint estate "of his sisters Elizabeth and Mary Sprout", and on 12 February, 1732, he sold, to Elkanah Leonard, the rest of the real estate, for the payment of debts, etc. By the same deed he also conveyed to Leonard a parcel of his own real estate.

We here print exhaustive abstracts of the two deeds referred to, and of all records, and original documents in the files, relating to the settlement of the joint estate of Elizabeth and Mary Sprout[3], found in the Plymouth County, Mass., Registry of Probate.

The records here presented show that both Elizabeth Sprout[3] and Mary Sprout[3] died unmarried, after 28 January, 1724/5, the date on which they acknowledged their joint deed to Thomas Hayford, but before 8 November, 1726, when their brother James Sprout[3] was appointed administrator.

[Elizabeth and Mary Sprout to Thomas Hayford]

[Plym. Co. Deeds, 22:126] On 12 December, 1719, "Elizabeth Sprout & Mary Sprout of Middleborough", for £50, sold to "Thomas Hayford of Middleborough afores[d] Yeoman . . . . Fourty acres of Land in . . . . Middleborough afores[d] being

* Mayflower Descendant, 6 : 8-11.

the North most End of that Lot of Land which was formerly the Lot of Robert Sprout[s] together with his Wife both deceased which is bounded as followeth that is beginning at the South West Corner of that Lot which was originally John Howards deceased & is bound[d] on Rhode Island Road across the whole Breadth of the s[d] Lot (which is thirty eight Rods wide) to the North East Side of the Lot which was originally M[r] Ephraim Little's deceased & so bounded on the North East Side of s[d] Lot One hundred and Sixty eight Rods & a half & so turning asquare across the s[d] Lot which was Robert Sprouts & his Wifes aboves[d] and so bound on the South West Side of s[d] Howards Lot to the Corner first mentioned, Together with all our Right in Our Meadow lying upon baiting brook".

The two grantors signed by marks. The witnesses were Simeon Holloway and Abraham Waldron. The two grantors did not acknowledge the deed, until 28 January, 1724/5, before Jacob Tomson, Justice of the Peace, and it was recorded 20 December, 1727.

[The Estate of Elizabeth and Mary Sprout]

[Plym. Co. Prob., from unrecorded bond] On 8 November, 1726, "James Sproout" of Middleborough, as administrator "of his sisters Elizabeth and Mary Sprout of Middleborouge aforesd . . . . deceased Intestate", with "William Strawbridge", of Middleborough, and "Benj Samson", of Kingston, as sureties, gave a bond of £100. The witnesses were Isaac Little and Kenelm Baker.

[From original inventory] On "this 11[th] Day of December* in the year" 1726, Ebenezer Richmond, Jonathan Fuller and "John Bennet" took "An Inventory on the Estate of Elizabeth Sprout & Mary Sprout both of Middleburro Lately Deceased". The total amount was: £525, 11s. The real estate was: "their farm with their Land" £500.

On 22 December, 1726, James Sprout, administrator, with Ebenezer Richmond and John Bennet, appraisers, made oath to the inventory. [Also recorded, 5: 275]

[From certified copy of original† petition] On 27 April, 1731, "James Sprout as adm[r] of y[e] Estate of Elizabeth Sprout and Mary Sprout . . . . shews that s[d] Intestates person[ll] Estate is Not Capable of paying their Just Debts, And there Remains to

* Incorrectly recorded as "november".

† The original is not in the files.

be paid out of y^e^ Homestead of Lands of y^e^ Said Intestates Whereon they last Dwelt adjoyning to assawamset pond: in Middleborough" £189, 9s., 10d. "Being all the Real Estate they Dyed Seized of Known to yo^r^ Petitioner Wherefore Yo^r^ petitioner prays that" the Superior Court for Plymouth County will authorize him to sell all the real estate, or enough to pay the debts. The petitioner was authorized to sell "y^e^ whole of the Homestead" and "to Accmpt for the Overplus arising thereby".

"Record^d^ Book. 7. Pag. 321. of y^e^ Records of Wills &c"

"The Estate of Eliz^a^ & Mary Sprout was Sold to Elkan^h^ Leonard Esq^r^ for £351– as p y^e^ Deed on Record"

[From unrecorded account] An account of "James Sprout", administrator, was approved, 30 April, 1731, by Isaac Winslow, Judge of Probate. The estates were indebted to: the administrator; "Cap^t^ Pope"; "Jn^o^ Watson Esq"; Henry Sampson; "Cap^t^ Jn^o^ King"; Joseph Bates; "Cap^t^ Tomson"; "Deacon Woods wife"; Joseph Ashley; Ebenezer Hathaway; "m^r^ Sam^l^ Danforth"; Cornelius Briggs; "M^r^ Francis Adams"; "Experience Sprout Ex^x^ &c to Eben^r^ Sprout"; "D^r^ Palmer". The total was £215, 0s., 10d. Deducting the inventory of the personal estate, "Remains to be p^d^ out of y^e^ Lands" £189, 9s., 10d.

[James Sprout to Elkanah Leonard]

[Plym. Co. Deeds, 27: 200] On 12 February, 1732, "James Sprout of Middleborough . . . . Yeoman as admin^r^ of y^e^ Estate of Elizabeth Sprout & Mary Sprout both of Middleborough afors^d^ late Deceased Intestate being authorised . . . . by . . . . y^e^ Sup^r^ Court of Judicature . . . . at Plymouth afores^d^ y^e^ last Tuesday of April 1731. To Make Sale of . . . . y^e^ Homestead of Lands which y^e^ s^d^ Elizabeth & Mary Sprout died Seized of adjoyning to assawamsett Pond in Middleborough afores^d^ for the Paym^t^ of their just Debts", sold to "Elkanah Leonard of Middleborough Afores^d^ Gent. Attorney at Law", for £351, "all that Farm & Homestead of Land of the s^d^ Elizabeth & Mary Sprout whereon they last dwelt Butting upon assawamsett Pond . . . . Containing Eighty acres more or less Extending from s^d^ Pond up to the fourty acres at the Head thereof formerly Sold by s^d^ Elizabeth & Mary Sprout to Thomas Hayford and on the North or North Easterly Side Bounded by the former Homestead of M^r^ Malachi Holloway now in the Possession of Benjamin Spooner; and on the South or South Westerly Side Bounded partly by Land belonging to the Heirs of Ebenez^r^ Richmond

Deceas^{d} & partly by Land of Capt. John Richmond . . . . and also for a further Sum of " £3, 3s., 7d., " I do hereby . . . . Convey unto him all that Strip & Piece of Land to me belonging lying between the Homestead of y^{e} s^{d} Elizabeth & Mary Sprout & y^{e} s^{d} assawamsett Pond: And was Sold to me by Ebenezer Richmond and was once a part of that Lot which was the late Homestead of y^{e} s^{d} Malachi Holloway and in Middleboro aforesaid."

The deed was witnessed by Nicholas Stevens, Jr., and Simeon Leonard. It was acknowledged, 5 March, 1732/3, before Benjamin White, Justice of the Peace, and was recorded 6 March, 1732/3.

THE WILL OF BENJAMIN³ SOULE OF PLYMPTON AND HIS WIDOW SARAH'S ESTATE

By the Editor

Benjamin³ Soule, of Plymouth and Plympton, Mass., was a son of John² Soule (*George*¹) by his first wife, Rebecca. He was not a son of John² and Esther Soule, as stated in Justin Winsor's History of the Town of Duxbury*, in William T. Davis' Ancient Landmarks of Plymouth†, and by many other writers, the majority of whom did not know that John² Soule married twice, and had children by both wives.

John² Soule (*George*¹) married first, Rebecca² Simmons (*Moses*¹), by whom he had six sons and three daughters.

John² Soule (*George*¹) married, second, in 1678, widow Esther (Nash) Samson, by whom he had three sons.

Benjamin³ Soule married Sarah³ Standish, daughter of Alexander² Standish (*Myles*¹) by his first wife Sarah² Alden (*John*¹).

Benjamin³ and Sarah (Standish) Soule had six children, the first five recorded at Plymouth, and the sixth at Plympton‡. These children were:

Zachariah⁴ Soule, born 21 March, 1694, married Mary⁴ Eaton (*Benjamin*³⁻², *Francis*¹).

* Boston, Mass., 1849.

† Boston, Mass., 1899.

‡ See Mayflower Descendant, 4: 113 and 5: 182, for literal copies of these six birth records.

Hannah⁴ Soule, born 18 March, 1696, married George³ Samson (*George²*, *Abraham¹*).

Sarah⁴ Soule, born 9 May, 1699, died 19 November, 1716, in her 18th year, according to her gravestone.

Deborah⁴ Soule, born 23 April, 1702, married, 12 November, 1724, Jabez⁴ Fuller (*Samuel*$^{3-2-1}$), and had still-born twins in January, 1724/5. She died 24 January, 1724/5.

Benjamin⁴ Soule, was born 5 June, 1704, according to the Plymouth records, and 5 June, 1705, according to his gravestone at Plympton. He married Hannah Whitman.

Ebenezer⁴ Soule, born 16 February, 1710/11, married Susanna Coomer.

In Davis' Ancient Landmarks of Plymouth it is incorrectly stated that Benjamin³ Soule's daughters "Sarah and Deborah, m. Edward Weston and Adam Wright"; but the original records prove that Benjamin³ Soule's daughter Sarah⁴ Soule died unmarried, as already stated, and that his daughter Deborah⁴ Soule married Jabez Fuller, as already stated. They prove also that Benjamin³ Soule's sister Rebecca³ Soule married Edmund, not "Edward" Weston, and that his sister Sarah³ Soule married Adam Wright.

Benjamin³ Soule died 1 December, 1729, in his 64th year, and his widow, Sarah (Standish) Soule, died 4 March, 1740, in her 74th year, according to the records on their gravestones at Plympton, Mass.

Benjamin³ Soule's will mentions his wife Sarah, his sons Zachariah⁴ Soule, Benjamin⁴ Soule and Ebenezer⁴ Soule, his daughter Hannah⁴ (Soule) Samson, and his "brouther Ebenezer Standish", who was a son of Alexander² Standish (*Myles¹*).

We here print exhaustive abstracts of Benjamin³ Soule's will and of all records, and original documents on file, in the Plymouth County, Mass., Registry of Probate, relating to the settlement of his estate; also exhaustive abstracts of all records, and original documents on file, relating to the estate of his widow, Sarah (Standish) Soule.

[Benjamin³ Soule's Will]

[From original will] Benjamin Soule "of Plympton . . . . yeoman" made his will on 2 November, 1729. Bequests were as follows:

To "Wife Sarah Sole the third part of the Improvement of my homested whareon I now dwlleth on bouth side of the Rode and also the Iprovement of Easterly Eand of my Dweling house

and likewise the third part of all my mveable Estate Excepting one feather Bed" also "the Improvement of my Right in the grist mill and fulling Mill Standing on winnatuxit River, all to be Ingoied by her during her Life"

To "my son Zachariah Sole aboute three hundred acors of Land wheireon he now Dwelleth . . . . begining at a Broken Spruse whitch is the Corner Bounds of Ebenezer Standish Land and from thence Runing upon a Strate Line to a Pitch Pine tree marked Standing Near the Bridg Comonly Called the Common medow Bridg, and so Runing upon a Strate line tell ye Come a bound tree whitch is the Lower Corner Bound of my medow whitch Lyeth on Cotercor Brook* and So from thence to the Brook and also aboute three or four acers of medow Lying on Said Brook and Runing up said Brook tell you Come to Standish medow and So down Brook the the bounds Last mentioned with all the boulding† on Said Lands onely Resarving a way for my brouther Ebenezer Standish and his heires for to make and Carrey of the hay of the medow that brouther Standish bought of me"

To "my Daughter Hannah Samson the Wife of George Samson" £70 "to be paid . . . . within a year after my Decease and also one good feather Bed"

To "my sons Beniamin Sole and Ebenezer Sole two thirds of my Some Sted‡ whereon I now Dwelleth on boath Sides of the Rode"

To "my Sons Beniamin and Ebenezer all my upland and medow and medoweth grounds Lying in a Neck of Land Commonly Called Dunham Neck and also the medow and upland Lying on the South Side of Winnatuxet River" also "the Lot of Sceader Swamp lying in the Swamp Common Called Cochester¶ Sceader Swamp and also . . . . two thirds of all my mveable Esteate Excepting one bed I have giving alredy unto my Daughter Hannah"

To "my two Sons Beniamin and Ebenezer all the Remaining part of the upland medow and Swamp Lying in a Neck Commonly Called Kings Neck whitch I have not giving unto my Son Zachariah in this my Last Will"

"after my Wife Sarah Deacese I give unto my two Sons Beniamin and Ebenzer the outher third of my homested and

* Recorded as "Colecor Brook". Possibly Colchester Brook was meant.

† Recorded "Building".

‡ Plainly an error for "homestead".

¶ Colchester.

buldings on bouth Side of the way and allso my part of the Grist mill and fulling mill . . . . also the outher third of my mveable Estate"

"I Nominate and appont my beloved Wife Sarah Sole my Executrex and my two Sons Beniamin Ebenezer Executors"

The will was signed "beniamin soule".

The witnesses were Caleb Loring, John Holmes and Joseph Thomas.

On 12 December, 1729, the three witnesses made oath to the will, before Isaac Winslow, Judge of Probate.

The will was probated, at Marshfield, 5 January, 1729*, and administration granted to "Sarah Soul Relict Widdow . . . . and Benjamin Soul and Ebenezer Soul sons of the sd deceased". [Also recorded, 5 : 617]

[5 : 655] On 2 March, 1729/30, "Sarah Soule Relict widow of Benjamin Soule late of Plympton . . . . lately Dyed Intestate as to part" of his estate, was appointed administratrix of "y^e^ Lands, Goods, Chattles, Rights, & Credits of y^e^ s^d^ Dec^d^ not Disposed of by will".

[From original inventory] An inventory "of all the Estate boath Real and Personall" was taken by Caleb Loring, Isaac Wright and Nathan Weston on 2 March, 1729/30. The real estate was as follows: "the homested on bouth Side of the Rode" £1100; "the upland and medow Lying in the Neck Called Dunham Neck and the medow on the South Side of Winnetuxet River giving to Beniamin & Ebenez^r^ by his Will" £250; "the Land Lying in Kings Neck giving to Zachariah Sole by his Will" £600; "the Remaing Part of the Land Lying in Kings Neck giving Beniamin & Ebenezer by his Will" £300; "his halfe of the grist mill Staning upon Winnituxet River giving to Beniamin & Ebenezer after their mouthr Decease" £100; "his halfe of the fulling mill Standing upon Winnituxet River giving to Beniamin & Ebenezer after their mouthr Descease" £63, 10s.; "the land lying betwean Kings Brook and Coaltecher Brook" £160; "the Land lying in Middlebrough" £120; "three quarters of a Saw mill in Middlebrogh" £80; "a Lot of Sceader Swamp giving to Beniamin & Eben^r^" £8; "Land lying in . . . . Plymouth" £5.

"an Indian Boy" was valued at £12; "Guns and Sword" £6, 10s.; "a Pew In the meating house" £6. Debts amounting to £378, 19s., 3d., were due to the estate, and the estate owed £73, 2s., 3d.

On 2 March, 1729/30, the three executors and the three

*This would be 16 January, 1730, in New Style dating.

appraisers made oath to the inventory. [Also recorded, 5 : 632]

[From unrecorded document] An undated and unsigned paper shows "Dubeus Depts due to the Estate", amounting to £66, 10s., from Elisha Curtice; Isaac Wanno, Indian; Israel May; John Hatch; John Hascall; Luke Perkins, Jr.

[5 : 657] On 2 March, 1729/30, "Capt Caleb Loring of Plympton" was appointed guardian of "Ebenezer Soule the son of Benj[a] Soule late of Plimton afores[d] Deceased who is a minor under y[e] age of twenty one years & above y[e] age of fourteen"

[From unrecorded bond] On 2 March, 1729/30, Caleb Loring, of Plympton, as guardian of Ebenezer Soule, with Nathan Weston of Plympton, as surety, gave a bond for £500. The witnesses were Isaac Wright and "George Sampson".

[5 : 741] On 26 June, 1730, an agreement was made by the heirs, as follows:

"Whereas Our Honoured Father Benjamin Soule of Plimton deceas[d] . . . . made his last Will" 2 November, 1729, "and . . . . gave out Several Parcells of Land Meadow & Swamps unto his three Sons, And no Mention made of their Heirs; We do now mutually Agree that all y[e] Lands Meadows & Swamps given in s[d] Will unto his s[d] three Sons . . . . shall belong to them their Heirs & Assigns forever; and We do mutually Agree that all y[e] Upland Meadow & Swamps upon the Neck called Kings Neck laying within y[e] Township of Plimton afores[d] To Extend no further towards y[e] Mast Swamp so called, then the Bounds Mentioned in s[d] Will To Belong unto the s[d] Zechariah Soule . . . . And . . . . that the Homestead & Buildings whereon Our s[d] Father lived shall belong unto Benjamin Soule & Ebenezer Soule . . . . And . . . . that all the Upland Meadow & Swamps laying upon Donham's Neck, And also All y[e] meadow & meadowish Ground upon the South Side of Winnatuxett River which belonged to Our s[d] Father shall belong unto the s[d] Benjamin Soule & Ebenezer Soule . . . . And . . . . that all y[e] moveables which was given to Benjamin Soule & Ebenezer Soule by Will shall belong unto them their Heirs & Assigns forever; And whereas there was Several Tracts of Lands which did belong to Our s[d] Father which were not Mentioned in s[d] Will nor given away Wherefore We do mutually Agree y[t] y[e] Parcell of Land & Swamps . . . . on y[e] Neck called Bee tree Neck & thereabouts . . . . shall belong two fifth Parts thereof unto Zechariah Soule & one fifth Part thereof unto Benjamin Soule and one fifth Part thereof unto Ebenezer Soule & One fifth Part thereof unto Hannah Samson Wife of George Samson; And Whereas there

was no Mention made in Our s^d^ Fathers Will of his three quarters of a Saw mill standing on y^e^ Brook called Raven Brook in . . . . Middleborough: Wherefore We do mutually Agree that two fifth Parts thereof shall belong unto Zechariah Soule and [p. 742] And One fifth Part . . . . unto Benjam^n^ Soule & One fifth Part . . . . unto Ebenezer Soule & One fifth Part . . . . unto Hannah Samson Wife of George Samson afores^d^ And whereas there was no Mention made in s^d^ Will of the Hundred acre Lot being in Number Twenty eighth Lot in y^e^ last Allotment of Hundred acre Lots in y^e^ . . . . Six and twenty Mens Purchase in . . . . Middleborough which did belong unto Our s^d^ Father; nor no mention made of Our s^d^ s^d^ Fathers Share of Land which he bought of Benjamin Cortis deceas^d^, And is the Eighth Share in y^e^ Sixth great Lot in y^e^ last Division of Plym^o^ Common Lands, And also his Share in all the Common or Undivided Lands in s^d^ Sixth Great Lot, Wherefore We do mutually Agree that the Aboves^d^ Parcells of Lands shall belong two fifth Parts thereof shall belong unto Zechariah Soule and One fifth Part . . . . unto Benjamin Soule and One fifth Part . . . . unto Ebenezer Soule and One fifth Part . . . . unto Hannah Samson the Wife of George Samson afores^d^, And whereas there was no Mention Made in Our s^d^ Fathers Will of his Lands Dwelling house & Interest in a Well in the Township of Providence in y^e^ Colony of Rhode Island which he bought of Jonathan Jenckes as may appear by a Deed" dated 25 December, 1714, "Wherefore We do mutually Agree that y^e^ last Mentioned Lands & Dwelling House & Interest in a Well shall belong two fifth Parts thereof unto Zechariah Soule And One fifth Part thereof unto Benjamin Soule & One fifth Part thereof unto Ebenezer Soule and One fifth Part . . . . unto Hannah Samson Wife of George Samson afores^d^ Excepting that Providence Laws give y^e^ Same to y^e^ Eldest Son viz : Zechariah Soule then We do mutually Agree that one Half of s^d^ House & Land shall belong unto y^e^ s^d^ Zechariah Soule He paying the One half of Debt & Charge that may arise from it, And the Other Half of s^d^ House & Land shall belong unto Benjamin Soule & Ebenezer Soule . . . . And whereas there was [p. 743] was No Mention made in Our s^d^ Fathers Will of his Pew in Plimton Meeting House, Wherefore We do mutually Agree that two fifth Parts thereof shall belong to Zechariah Soule & One fifth Part thereof to Benjamin Soule, & One fifth Part thereof to Ebenezer Soule and one fifth Part thereof to Hannah Samson Wife of George Samson afores^d^"

The agreement was signed by Zechariah Soule, Benjamin

Soule, Ebenezer Soule, George Samson, and Hannah Samson (by a mark). The witnesses were Polycarpus Loring and John Bell.

On 2 July, 1730, "The Widow Sarah Soule & Relict of Mr Benjamin Soule of Plimton deceasd . . . . and also Caleb Loring Guardian to ye Within named Ebenezer Soule" consented to this division. Sarah Soule signed by a mark. The witnesses were Polycarpus Loring and John Bell.

On 2 July, 1730, Zechariah Soule, Benjamin Soule, Ebenezer Soule, George Samson and Hannah Samson acknowledged the agreement, before Isaac Winslow, Judge of Probate.

[6:96] On 6 July, 1731, "Zechariah Soule, Benja Soule, Ebenezer Soule & George Samson & hannah Samson his wife all of ye Town of Plympton . . . . Being Proprietors & owners of a Certayn Parcel of land & swamps . . . . on ye neck Called Bee-tree neck and thereabouts In . . . . Plympton afores^d which did belong unto or hond Father Benja Soul late of Plympton afores^d Deceased . . . . ye said Zechariah Soul being . . . . owner of 2 fifth part yrof and ye said Benja Soul being . . . . owner of one fifth part thereof, and ye said Ebenezer Soul being . . . . owner of one fifth part thereof and ye said George Samson & Hannah his wife being . . . . owners of one fifth part thereof, Wherefore we have now by mutual agreemt Divided ye said land & swamps into ten lots as followeth.

"The first lot being about 16 acres lyeth at ye northerly End thereof & is Bounded as followeth; Beginning at a stake standing In ye Range of ye land of Zechariah Soul & from thence Ranging north 21 . Degrees westerly by said Range about 19 . Pole & a half to ye south East Corner Bound of ye land of Ebenezer Standish being a spruce stump marked & from thence it is Bounded by ye land of ye said Ebenezer Standish until it Come to ye meadow Ground formerly laid out to william Churchell, and from thence Bounded by said meadow Ground until it come to a maple tree Marked near ye Range of said meadow Ground, Being ye north west Corner Bound of ye 66 . acres of land laid out to Jona morey senr & from thence by ye Range of said land East & by north a Quarter of a point Northerly about 55 . pole to ye stake standing about a pole to ye East of a white oak marked facing to it at ye Range of Jno Bryant's ten Acres, and from thence by ye Range of said ten acres Due south about 16 . Pole to ye Southwest Corner thereof being a spruce tree marked with Eight marks, and from thence Due East by ye Range of said ten acres about 16 Pole to a maple tree Marked being ye west Corner bound of

y^e 37 . acres formerly laid out to Jn^o Bryant, and from thence Due East by y^e Range of said 37 acres about 20 . Pole & a half to a stake standing in s^d Range about ten foot to y^e East of a spruce tree marked facing to it, and from thence Ranging south 66 . Degrees & three Quarters westerly to y^e stake first mentioned.

"The second lot being about 12 acres is Bounded on y^e north west side thereof by y^e first lot from y^e southerly Corner thereof being a stake standing in y^e Range of y^e Land of Zechariah Soul and from thence y^e southwest End thereof is Bounded by said Soul's Range South 21 . Degrees Easterly about 19. Pole to a stake standing in said Range & from thence y^e south East side thereof Rangeth north . 66 . Degree & three Quarters Easterly to a stake standing in y^e Range of y^e 35 . acres formerly laid out to George Samson & Isaac Samson w^ch stake standeth about a Pole to y^e East of a small white oak marked facing to it, and from thence y^e north East End thereof is Bounded by said 35 . Acres north half a point westerly unto y^e small swamp oak tree Marked in y^e Range of y^e 37 . acres formerly laid out unto John Bryant & from thence Bounded by said 37 . acres Due west about . 6 . Pole & a half to a stake standing in said Range about ten foot to y^e East of a spruce tree marked facing to it being y^e Easterly Corner Bound of the aforesaid first Lot.

[p. 97] "The third lot being about . 8 . acres is Bounded on y^e north west side thereof by y^e second lot, and y^e southwest End thereof is Bounded by y^e Land of Zechariah Soul from y^e southerly Corner of said second Lot being a stake & from thence Ranging south 21 . Degrees Easterly about 13 . Pole & 3 Quarters to a stake in said Soul's Range and from thence y^e South East side thereof Rangeth north 66 . Degrees & three Quarters Easterly about 92 . pole & a half to a stake standing in y^e Range of y^e 35 . acres laid out unto George Samson & Isaac Samson about half a pole to y^e west of a Great maple tree marked facing to it and from thence y^e north East End thereof is Bounded by said 35 . Acres North half a point westerly about . 14 . Pole to y^e Easterly Corner Bound of y^e aforesaid second lot being a stake standing about a Pole to y^e East of a small white oak marked facing to it.

"The fourth Lot being about 7 Acres & a half is bounded on y^e northwest Side thereof by y^e third lot and y^e south west End thereof is bounded by y^e land of Zechariah Soul from y^e southerly Corner of said third lot being a stake & from thence Ranging south . 21 Degrees Easterly About 13 . Pole & three Quarters to a stake in said Soul's Range and from thence y^e

south East side thereof Rangeth north . 66 . Degrees & three Quarters Easterly about 89 . Pole to a stake standing in y^e^ Range of y^e^ 35 . acres of land formerly laid out unto George Samson & Isaac Samson about one Pole to y^e^ North of a Bunch of maples marked facing to it, and y^e^ north East End thereof is Bounded by said 35 . acres north half a point westerly to y^e^ Easterly Corner bound of y^e^ aforesaid third lot being a stake standing about half a pole to y^e^ west of a great maple tree marked facing to it.

"The fifth lot being about 7 acres & a half is Bounded on y^e^ northwest side thereof by y^e^ fourth lot & y^e^ south west End thereof is bounded by y^e^ land of Zechariah Soul from y^e^ southerly Corner bound of said fourth lot being A Stake and from thence Ranging South 21 . Degrees Easterly by said Soul's Range about . 14 . Pole to a pine tree marked near y^e^ west End of y^e^ Bridge Called y^e^ Comon meadow Bridge & from thence y^e^ south East side thereof Rangeth north 66 . Degrees & three Quarters Easterly about 85 . pole & a half to a pine tree marked on four sides in y^e^ Range of y^e^ 35 . acres formerly laid out unto George Samson & Isaac Samson & from thence y^e^ North East End thereof is Bounded by said 35 . acres north half a point westerly about 16 . Pole to y^e^ Easterly Corner Bound of y^e^ aforesaid fourth Lot being a stake standing about one Pole to y^e^ north of a Bunch of maples marked facing to it.

"The sixth lot being about 22 . acres is bounded on y^e^ north west side thereof by y^e^ fifth Lot & y^e^ South West End thereof is Bounded by y^e^ Land of Zechariah Soul from y^e^ southerly Corner Bound of said fifth lot being a pine tree marked near y^e^ west End of y^e^ Bridge Called y^e^ Common meadow Bridge & from thence Ranging south one Degree Easterly by said Soul's Range about 44 . Pole and a half to a stake & stones and from thence y^e^ south East side thereof Rangeth north 66 Degrees & three Quarters Easterly about 88 . Pole to a stake standing in y^e^ Range of y^e^ 35 acres of land formerly laid out unto George Samson & Isaac Samson standing about one pole South East & by south from a pine tree marked with three marks one above another facing to it & from thence y^e^ north East End thereof is Bounded by said 35 acres north half a point westerly about 44 . Pole to y^e^ Easterly Corner [p. 98] Corner Bound of the aforesaid fifth lot, Being a pine tree marked on four sides.

"The Seventh Lot being about 19 . acres is Bounded on y^e^ north west Side thereof by y^e^ sixth lot & y^e^ westerly End thereof is Bounded by y^e^ Land of Zechariah Soul from y^e^ southerly

Corner bound of said sixth lot being a stake & stones & from thence Ranging south one Degree Easterly about 3 Pole & a half to a stake & stones & from thence by said Souls Range south 6 . Degrees & a half westerly about 33 . Pole & a half to a stake & stones, and from thence y^e^ south East side thereof Rangeth north . 66 . Degrees & three Quarters Easterly about 102 . pole to y^e^ southwest Corner of y^e^ 35 . Acres of land formerly laid out unto George Samson & Isaac Samson, and from thence by y^e^ Range of said . 35 . acres north . 22 . Degrees & a half westerly about . 24 pole to a stake standing where y^e^ pine tree being y^e^ antient Bound formerly stood, and from thence Ranging north half a point westerly about Eight pole to y^e^ Easterly Corner bound of y^e^ sixth lot being a stake standing about One pole south East & by south from a pine tree marked with three marks one above another facing to it.

"The Eighth Lot being about nineteen acres is bounded on the north west side thereof by y^e^ seventh lot; and y^e^ westerly End thereof is Bounded by y^e^ land of Zechariah Soul from y^e^ southerly Corner Bound of said seventh lot being a stake & stones & from thence Ranging South . 6 . Degrees & a half westerly about . 28 . Pole to a stake standing in swampy Ground about 2 Pole & a half from Benj^a^ weston's meadow & from said stake y^e^ south East side thereof Rangeth north 66 . Degrees & three Quarters Easterly about 128 . pole to a stake standing in y^e^ Range of nehemiah Sturtevant's land & from thence y^e^ Easterly End thereof is Bounded by said Sturtevant's land north & by west about 17 . Pole & three Quarters to a stake set in y^e^ Ground in y^e^ Range of y^e^ 35 . acres of land formerly laid out unto George Samson & Isaac Samson, and from thence by y^e^ Range of said 35 . acres Due west Unto y^e^ Easterly Corner of y^e^ seventh lot.

"The ninth Lot being about Eleven acres is Bounded beginning at y^e^ southerly Corner of y^e^ 8^th^ Lot being a stake standing in swampy Ground about 2 . Pole & a half from Benj^a^ weston's meadow & from thence y^e^ north west side thereof is Bounded by y^e^ Range of said Eighth lot north . 66 . Degrees & 3 Quarters Easterly ab^t^ 56 . Pole to a stake standing in said Range, and from thence y^e^ north East End thereof Rangeth south . 23 . Degrees & a Quarter Easterly ab^t^ 34 Pole to a stake standing in y^e^ Range of Seth Samson's swamp Ground and from thence Bounded by said Samson's Range ab^t^ 14 Pole to a maple tree formerly Marked on four sides standing near Colchester Brook & so home to y^e^ Brook, and from thence Bounded by said Brook Down stream where said Brook formerly Run until it come unto Benj^a^

Weston's meadow and from thence Bounded by said weston's Meadow until it come unto y^e^ land of Zechariah Soul and from thence Bounded by said soul's land north . 6 . Degrees & a half Easterly to y^e^ Southerly Corner of y^e^ Eighth lot first mentioned.

"The Tenth Lot being about 16 . acres & three Quarters is Bounded on y^e^ north west side thereof by y^e^ Eighth lot, and y^e^ southwest End thereof is Bounded by y^e^ ninth lot and y^e^ South East side thereof is Bounded partly by y^e^ swamp Ground of Seth Samson & partly by y^e^ land belonging to nehemiah sturtevant, and y^e^ Easterly End thereof is bounded by y^e^ land belonging to nehemiah Sturtevant until it come to y^e^ Eighth lot aforesaid

[p. 99] "And having thus Divided said land & swamps into ten lots, we Drew lots for y^e^ same, and y^e^ third lot, fifth lot, sixth lot & Eighth lot fell by lot unto Zechariah Soule which said four lots we do mutually agree shall belong unto y^e^ said Zechariah Soul . . . . And y^e^ fourth lot & y^e^ seventh lot fell by lot unto Benj^a^ soul, w^ch^ said two lots we do mutually agree shall belong unto y^e^ said Benj^a^ soul . . . . and y^e^ second lot & y^e^ tenth lot fell by lot unto Ebenezer Soul w^ch^ said two lots we do mutually agree shall belong Unto y^e^ said Ebenezer Soul . . . . and y^e^ first lot & y^e^ ninth lot fell by lot unto George Samson & Hannah his wife, which said two lots we do Mutually agree shall belong unto y^e^ said George Samson & Hannah his wife . . . . only Excepting that there shall be Liberty for necessary ways for Each of us o^r^ Heirs or Assigns thro' Each others land aforesaid thro' Gates or Barrs where it may be most Beneficial & least prejudicial"

The division was signed by Zechariah Soule, Benjamin Soule, Ebenezer Soule, George Samson and Hannah Samson (by a mark). The witnesses were Joseph Lucas and Jacob Tomson.

On 24 September, 1731, the five signers acknowledged the agreement, before Isaac Winslow, Judge of Probate.

[6 : 99] On 6 July, 1731, "Zechariah Soule, Benj^a^ Soule, Ebenezer Soule, & George Samson Jun^r^ & Hannah Samson his wife All . . . . of Plympton . . . . Heirs to o^r^ Hon^d^ Father Benj^a^ Soule late of Plympton afores^d^ Dec^d^ Having" on 26 June, 1730, "Mutually agreed that all y^e^ upland meadow & swamps upon y^e^ neck Called Kings neck" in "Plympton afores^d^ should belong unto y^e^ said Zechariah Soule . . . . and that y^e^ Parcell of land & swamps . . . . on y^e^ neck Called Bee tree neck & thereabouts w^ch^ did belong to o^r^ said Father should belong two fifth parts thereof unto y^e^ said Zechariah Soul & one fifth part thereof to Benj^a^ Soule & one fifth part thereof unto Ebenezer

Soule and one fifth part thereof Unto Hannah Samson y^e^ wife of George Samson wherefore we have now by mutual agreement Run & settled a Dividing line between y^e^ afores^d^ upland meadow & swamps lying upon y^e^ neck Called Kings neck and that Parcel of Land & swamps lying upon y^e^ afores^d^ neck Called Bee tree & thereabouts as followeth . Beginning at y^e^ south East Corner Bound of y^e^ Land of Ebenezer Standish, Whereon [p. 100] Whereon he Dwelleth being a Spruce Stump marked, and from thence Ranging South twenty one Degrees Easterly about seventy Eight pole & a half to a pine tree marked near y^e^ west End of y^e^ Bridge Called y^e^ Comon Meadow Bridge, and from thence Ranging south one Degree Easterly ab^t^ fourty Eight pole to a stake & stones standing by y^e^ west side of a swamp, and from thence Ranging south six Degrees & a half westerly about sixty four pole to a stake standing on y^e^ Bank of y^e^ Ditch in y^e^ Range of y^e^ meadow belonging to Benj^a^ Weston And we do mutually agree that all y^t^ Parcel of upland, Meadow & swamps which did belong to o^r^ afores^d^ Father lying on y^e^ westerly side of y^e^ afores^d^ Dividing line shall belong unto y^e^ afores^d^ Zechariah Soule . . . . and y^e^ said Benj^a^ Soule, Ebenezer Soule & George Samson & Hannah his wife Doth . . . . Quit claim unto y^e^ said Zechariah Soule . . . . all y^r^ Right . . . . into y^e^ same & Every part & parcel thereof — and we Do mutually agree that all that parcell of land & swamps w^ch^ did belong unto o^r^ said Father lying on y^e^ Easterly side of said Dividing line shall belong two fifth parts thereof unto y^e^ said Zechariah Soule and one fifth part thereof unto y^e^ said Benj^a^ Soule and one fifth part thereof unto y^e^ said Ebenezer Soule and one fifth part thereof unto y^e^ said George Samson & Hannah his wife"

The agreement was signed by Zechariah Soule, Benjamin Soule, Ebenezer Soule, George Samson and Hannah Samson (by a mark). It was witnessed by Joseph Lucas and Jacob Tomson.

On 24 September, 1731, the five signers, "y^e^ Children & Heirs of m^r^ Benj^a^ soule late of Plympton . . . . Dec^d^" acknowledged the agreement, before Isaac Winslow, Judge of Probate.

[6 : 374] On 25 July, 1733, "Whereas I Ebenezer Soule . . . . of Plimton . . . . together with my three Brothers & Sister, to wit Zechariah Soule Benjamin Soule George Samson and Hannah Samson did formerly by a Writing of Agreement" dated 6 July, 1731, "make a Settlement & Division of y^e^ Lands Meadow & Swamps, which did formerly belong unto Our Hon^d^ Father Benjamin Soule late of Plimton afores^d^ Deceased lying

& being on the Neck called Bee tree neck and thereabouts . . . . But at the time of the Signing & Sealing of y^e^ aforesaid Writing of Agreement I my Self was not of lawfull Age to Dispose of or Divide Lands & being now Arrived unto a lawfull & disposing Age I do . . . . Confirm y^e^ Above mentioned Agreem^t^ . . . . And I do by these Presents . . . . Quit Claim unto the afores^d^ Zechariah Soule . . . . All my Right . . . . of and into all the Upland Meadow & Swamps Mentioned in the afores^d^ Agreem^t^ lying on the Westerly Side of the afores^d^ dividing Line"

This quit claim was witnessed by Dennis Egerton and Ruth Sturtevant (by a mark). It was acknowledged by Ebenezer Soule on 25 July, 1733. The date of recording was not entered.

[12 : 481] On 2 March, 1752, "Mess^rs^ Rowland Hamond Samuel Right Jabez Newland Gideon Bradford & Zebede Chandler all of Plimton . . . . Yeoman" were "Directed To take a Veiw of the Rail Estate of m^r^ Benjamin Soule Late of Plimton dec^d^ in His Last Will . . . . Devised To his Two Sons Benjamin & Ebenezer Soule & Which Remains undivided & To Divide the same into two Equall parts or Shairs & To assigne one Moiety thereof To the said Ebenezer Soule & the Other Moiety to the heirs of the said Benjamin Soule Deceasd"

[12 : 482] The division, dated at Plympton, 15 July, 1752, follows:

"We Set of To Ebenezer Soule Son of the said Deceas^d^ the one half or moiety of s^d^ Estate lying in Several peices one peace Bounded beginning at a Stake and Stones by the Edge of the Meddow near the Crows Way at the gowing in of Dunhams neck. From thence To Extend West one Degree South 42 Rods To a White Oak Tree marked From thence North West About 26 Rods To a Stake & Stones From thence To Extend South 39 Degrees West about 40 Rods To the meddow From thence Southerly by the Meddow 23 Rods & a quarter part of a Rod to a Stake From thence South West 3 Rods To the River From thence East 8 degrees North 11 Rods & three quarters of a Rod To a Stake From thence To Extend North 48 Degrees East 15 Rods & a Halfe To a White Oak Tree marked. From thence East 16 Degrees South 24 Rods to a Stake . From thence North 15 Degrees East By the Meddow 15 Rods To a Stake. From thence East 7 Degrees South by the meddow 10 Rods To a stake From thence North 15 Degrees East 13 Rods To the Bounds first Mentioned

"one More peace Lying in Dunhams Nack Bounded Beginning at a Red Oak Tree blown Down in the Range of Watermans

Land From thence to Extend South East 16 Rods To a Stake From thence South 38 Degrees West To the meddow at the Broad Cove . From thence Bounded by the Meddow Westerly untill it Comes To a Large White Oake Tree marked. From thence Ranging North 4 Degrees West 5 Rods To a Ditch . From thence North 44 Degrees East 44 Rods To a stake From thence To Extend North 50 Degrees East 16 Rods To the Bounds First Mentioned

"Also a peace of Ceder Swamp Lying in Colchester Ceder Swamp Bounded Beginning at a Spruce Tree Marked in Cooks Range From thence Northerly in said Cooks Range 56 Rods To a Ceder Tree marked From then North 74 Degrees & a ha East 19 Rods & a ha To a Stake N° 12 From thence Southerly in the Range of Bradfords Ceder Swamp to a pine Tree on the upland Which is Bradfords South West Corner thence on a Strate Line to the Bounds First mentioned Also a peace of Meddow Lying on the South Side of Wenetuxet River Bounded Begining at a Stake Standing by the Old Wadeing place So Called From thence South 30 Degrees West 14 Rods & 6 feet to a stake thence West three quarters of a Rod To a Stake thence North 8 Degrees [p. 483] Degrees East To the River thence up Streem To the Bounds first mentioned — Also one fourth part of a griss mill Fulling Mill Dam & Streem With the appurtenances thereunto Belonging allso one Fifth part of a pew in the Meeting House Below

"We Set of To the Heirs of Benjamin Soule Deceas.d the one half or moiety of said Estate one peace Lying in Dunhams Neeck Bounded Begining at a Stake and Stones Standing North West 27 Rods from a White Oake Tree by Moses Wrights House From thence To Extend North West 53 Rods & three quarters To a Stake From thence To Extend South 38 Degree West To the meddow from thence Bounded by the Meddow Easterly untill it Comes To Ebenezer Soules Land then Bounded By his Land North 38 Degrees East To the Bounds First mentioned

"also one peace of meddow Lying on the South Side Wenetuxet River Bounded Begining at the Dich From thence up Streem 6 Rods To a Stake From thence South 8 Degrees West about 15 Rods & a half To a Stake from thence West three quarters of a Rod To a Dich in the meddow thence North 4 Degrees West To the first Bounds

"also one peace of Ceder Swamp Lying in Colchester Ceder Swamp Bounded Begining at a Seder Tree Which is Ebenezer Soles North West Corner Bounds From thence Northerly in

Cooks Range To the upland From thence Easterly by the Swamp untill it Comes To Bradfords Corner Bounds from thence Southerly in the Range of Bradfords Ceder Swamp 38 Rods To a Stake From thence South 74 Degrees & a ha West 19 Rods & a ha To the Bounds First mentioned

"Also one forth part of a grist mill & fulling Mill Dam and Streem & the Appurtenances Belonging To said fourth part

"Allso one fifth part of a pew in the Meeting House Below"

On 17 July, 1752, the division was confirmed, by John Cushing, Judge of Probate, on the oath of the five commissioners.

[Sarah (Standish) Soule's Estate]

[Plym. Co. Prob. 8 : 175] On 22 May, 1740, "Zachariah Sole of Plimton . . . . yeoman" was appointed administrator on the estate of "Sarah Sole late of Plimton . . . . Widdow . . . . Dyed Intestate"

[From unrecorded bond] On 22 May, 1740, "Zachariah Soul" of Plympton, yeoman, as administrator, with Francis Miller of Middleborough and David Curtis of Halifax, both yeomen, as sureties, gave a bond for £300. The witnesses were George Holmes and Nathaniel Churchel.

[From original warrant] On 22 May, 1740, "Mess^{rs} Josiah Perkins & Elijah Bisbe of Plymton & Jacob Thomson of middleboro" were appointed to appraise "all the Estate" of "Sarah Sole Late of s^{d} Plymton widdo Dec^{d}" [Also recorded, 8 : 202]

[From original inventory] The inventory of "M^{rs} Sarah Soule Late of Plymton" was taken, at Plympton, 18 June, 1740, by Josiah Perkins, "Elijah bisbe" and "Jacob Tomson". No real estate was mentioned. The total was £92, 18s.

On 4 August, 1740, Zachariah Soule, administrator, made oath to the inventory. [Also recorded, 8 : 237]

[11 : 278] On 19 December, 1745, "the Acco^{t} of Zachariah Soule adm^{r} on the Estate of his Honr^{d} Mother Sarah Soule late of Plimton" was allowed. He had received from "m^{r} Parker" 14 shillings. Payments had been made to "Doct^{r} Lebaron"; "Doct^{r} Parkson"; "Doct^{r} Loring"; Moses Wright; Samuel Wright; George Samson; James Harlow; Edward Sears; Jonathan Samson; "my Cost & Charge in the ac^{t}on v Benj^{a} & Eb^{r} Sole" £6, 1s., 9d. The balance on hand was £52, 18s., 4d.

MIDDLEBOROUGH, MASS., VITAL RECORDS

Transcribed by Miss Ethel A. Richardson

(*Continued from Vol. XXIV, p. 186*)

[p. 89] Middleborough February 28th 1765 Then Roger Haskell & Judeth Nelson both of [Middleborough] were Joined in Marriage by me Ebenezer Hinds Baptist minis[ter]

Middleborough July 19th 1765 Then Joseph Haskings & Mary Smith both of Middleborough ware Joined in Marriage by me Ebenezer Hinds Baptist minister

middleborough October ye 29th 1765 Then Edward Washburn Jur and Hannah Jones both of middleborough were Joynd in marriage by me–Ebenezer Hinds Baptist Minister

Plimouth Ss December 12th 1765 This Day Simeon wood & Sarah weston both of middleborough were joynd in marriage by me Joseph Tinkham Justic Peace

Plimo Ss December 19th 1765 This Day Abiel wood & Betty Tinkham both of middleborough were joyned in marriage by me Joseph Tinkham Justice Peace

Plimo Ss January 2d 1766 This Day mr James Smith & miss Patience wood 2d both of middleborough were joyned in marriage by me Joseph Tinkham Justice Peac[e]

Plimouth Ss Febr 27th 1766 this Day Obidiah Covel, and Lydia Thomas both of middleborough were married by me Joseph Tinkham Justice Peace

This Certifies that James Bartlet Jr of Plymouth and Zeruiah Knolton of middleborough were joind in marriage in middleborough on march 27th 1766 by Isaac Backus Baptist minister

Plimouth Ss may 6: 1766 This Day Josiah Thomas & Elisabeth Robbins both of middleborough were married by me Joseph Tinkham Justic Peac[e]

Plimouth Ss may 22d 1766 then Lot Eaton & martha Cobb both of middlebo[rough] were married by me Joseph Tinkham Justice Peace

Plimouth Ss June 3d then John Clerk Resident in middleborough and miriam Bryant of Said middleborough were married by me Joseph Tinkham Justic Peace

July 14: 1766 Then Elijah macomber & mehitable Johnson both of middleborough were married by me Joseph Tinkham Justic Peace

[p. 90] [*worn*]beth Hackett Daughter of Elijah Hackett [Pr]udence his wife was born July 22d 1745

Prudence Hackett Daughter of Elijah Hackett by Prudence his wife was born December 16th 1746

John Hackett Son of Elijah Hackett by Prudence his wife was born October 10th 1748

Huldah Hackett Daughter of Elijah Hackett by Prudence his wife was born December 25th 1750

Elijah Hackett Son of Elijah Hackett by Prudence his wife was born April 26th 1753

Deborah Hackett Daughter of Elijah Hackett by Prudence his wife was born June 10th 1755

Mary Hackett Daughter of Elijah Hackett by Prudence his wife was born August 15th 1757

George Hackett Son of Elijah Hackett by Prudence his wife was born January 28 1759

Zebedee Hackett Son of Elijah Hackett by Prudence his wife was born October 15th 1762

Simeon Haskol Son of Roger Haskol By Judah his wife was born January the 10th 1767

Edmond Hacket Son of Ephraim Hacket by Elisabeth his wife was Born January the 15th day 1766

Thomas Haskol Son of Roger Haskol By Judah his wife was born September 15th 1768 1768

Mark Haskol Son of Roger Haskol by Judah his wife was born January 27th 1771 1771

[p. 91] Mary Thomas Daughter of Jedidiah Thomas Junr by Kezia his wife was born May 3d 1751 and Decesed June ye 28 1751

Martha Thomas Daughter of Jedidiah Thomas Junr by Keziah his wife was born February 15th 1753

Nelson Thomas Son of Jedidiah Thomas Junr by Kezia his wife was born January 25th 1759

Churchel Thomas Son of Jedidiah Thomas Jr by Kezia his wife was born November 30th 1761

Kezia Thomas Daughter of Jedidiah Thomas Jr by Kezia his wife was born February 11th 1765

Ransom Thomas Son of Jeremiah Thomas by Susanna his wife was born March 12th 1762

Jeremiah Thomas Son of Jeremiah Thomas by Susanna his wife was born Januray 11th 1764

Joseph Thomas Son of Joseph Thomas by Mary his wife was born Novr 16th 1750 1750

Mercy Thomas Daughter of Joseph Thomas by Mary his wife was born July 4th 1753

Hope Thomas Daughter of Joseph Thomas by Mary his wife was born July 8th 1755

Andrew Thomas Son of Joseph Thomas by Mary his wife was born March 15th 1758

Jonathan Thomas Son of Joseph Thomas by Mary his wife was born March 10th 1765

Molley Thomas Daughter of Silvanus Thomas by Susann his wife was born July 26th 1762

William Thomas Son of Silvanus Thomas by Susanna his wife was born July 10th 1764

Nathan Thomas Son of David Thomas by Deborah his wife was born January 25th 1765

(*To be continued*)

PLYMOUTH COLONY WILLS AND INVENTORIES

(*Continued from page 39*)

[The Will of Isaac Wells]

[3: 1: 99] "The last Will . . . . of Isacke Wells exhibited to the Court held att Plymouth the fift of March 1673* on the oathes of Mr Thomas Hinckley and Leiftenant Joseph Laythorpe". The only bequest was:

To "Margerett my loveing wife", after all debts and charges are paid, "all the rest of my estate in houses lands Debts stocke Cattle house hold stuffe, or in whatsover else it may be in".

Wife Margaret to be executrix.

The will was made on 25 June, 1673, and signed by a mark. It was witnessed by Thomas Hinckley and Joseph Laythorpe.

"An Inventory of the estate of Isacke Wells of Barnstable Deceased taken the 24 Day of December 1673 by Thomas Laythorp Joseph Laythorp And James Lewis". The real estate was: "houses lands and meddow" £70 . "Item smithes tooles" £10 "which were Disposed of by Isacke wells to James Lewis longe before his Death"

"Margarett wells the wife of Isacke Wells" made oath to the inventory, "this 7 of March 1673† before mee John Freeman Assistant"

[Widow Martha Knott's Will]

[p. 100] "The last Will . . . . of Widdow Martha Knott exhibited to the Court held att Plym[outh] the fift of March 1673* on the oath of mr Richard Bourne". Bequests were as follows:

To "my son Samuell Knott . . . . my bed and beding all that I have onely excepting my green Rugg" also "my little Iron, pott, my Skillett and a Tray"

* This would be 15 March, 1674, in New Style dating.

† This would be 17 March, 1674, in New Style dating.

To "my Daughter Martha Tobey the wife of Thomas Tobey 4 Cattle: viz: 1 Cow 1 heiffer 1 yearling and vantage and one Calfe; and all the rest of my Goods with my Clothes or whatever else I have"

"I appoint Thomas Tobey my son in law executor"

The will was dated 27 October, 1673, and signed by a mark. The witnesses were Richard Bourne, William Newland and John Newland.

The inventory "of Widdow Knot of Sandwidg", taken 1 January, 1673 (11 January, 1674, in New Style), by Richard Bourne and John Smith, was presented "the fift of March 1673* on the oath of Thomas Tobey".

[Richard Beare's Will]

Richard Beare made his will "December the 4th Anno: Dom 1673". Bequests were as follows:

To "Moses Symons five pounds"

To "John French one Cow"

To "Elizabeth French one Cow"

Richard French was appointed executor.

The witnesses were Thomas Tilden and Thomas Macomber.

The inventory was taken by "Ensigne Marke Eames and John Bourne this sixt of January 1673" (16 January, 1674, in New Style). "Willam Foard senir", "Benjamine Church", "Willam Sherman senir" and Walter Woodworth were indebted to the estate, and it was indebted to "Mr Arnold".

The will was presented to the court at Plymouth, 5 March, 1673 (15 March, 1674, in New Style), on the oaths of the two witnesses, also the inventory, on the oath of the executor.

Richard Beare's residence, not mentioned in the probate records, was at Marshfield.

[Anthony Annible's Will]

[p. 101] Anthony Annible of Barnstable made his will 24 February, 1672, and added a codicil, on 23 April, 1674. Bequests were as follows:

To "wife Ann Annible my now Dwelling house and housing, and all the lands which lyeth between that land which I have formerly Given to my sonne Samuell Annible, and Goodman Baylies land; as alsoe all the Comodities and proffitts of the same as alsoe the one halfe of all my meddow; and alsoe the

* This would be 15 March, 1674, in New Style dating.

one halfe of all my Great lott; all these foremensioned p^rticulars . . . . shee shall have to her owne Disposing Dureing her life; and further I Doe give to my abovemensioned wife all my neat Cattle and all my horse Flesh; as alsoe all my moveable estate, whatsoever, both within my house and upon my land without; and this shalbe att my wifes Disposeing"

"what houshold stuffe shalbe left att my wifes Decease shalbe my Daughter Desire Annibles"

To "my Daughters, each of them twelve pence apece"

"my loveing wife Ann Annible to be . . . . executrix"

The witnesses were John Smith and William Throope.

The codicil provided that "after my wifes Decease; my son Samuell shall have and Injoy the whole of all my housing and lands, to him and his heires and assignes for ever; onely . . . . hee shall pay to my Daughter Desire Annible" £30, "within foure yeares after my Decease; to be payed yearly by equall portions therof, the first payement to be made within a yeare after my Decease; and . . . . the said Desire shall have the two Cowes and two steers, a heiffer a mare a horse & Coult; which I have Given her before To be hers; and that what my wife shall leave att her Decease . . . . shalbe equally Devided between my son Samuell and Daughter Desire; excepting the houshold stuffe to be the said Desires as above said"

The codicil was witnessed by Thomas Hinckley, Assistant, and John Chipman.

The will and codicil were sworn to, by "m^r Thomas Hinckley and m^r John Chipman", at the court at Plymouth, 4 June, 1674.

"The Inventory of . . . . Anthony Annible lately of Barnstable Deceased" was taken by John Chipman and Thomas Huckens, but was not dated. It was sworn to by "Anne the late wife of the above named Anthony Annible" on 18 June, 1674, before Thomas Hinckley, Assistant. No real estate was mentioned.

(*To be continued*)

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MASSACHUSETTS SOCIETY OF MAYFLOWER DESCENDANTS

Washington's Birthday, 1923

His Excellency, Channing H. Cox, Governor of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, extended to the members of the Society an invitation to the Governor's Reception, at the State House, Boston, on Washington's Birthday, 22 February, 1923. Mrs. Cox, who received with the Governor, is a member of this Society.

Twenty-Seventh Annual Meeting

The Twenty-Seventh Annual Meeting was held at the Twentieth Century Club, Boston, on Wednesday evening, 28 March, 1923, with Mr. Frederick Foster, Deputy Governor of the Society, in the chair.

Officers for the ensuing year were unanimously elected, as follows:

Governor,	Frederic A. Washburn, M.D.
Deputy Governor,	Frederick Foster
Secretary,	George Ernest Bowman
Treasurer,	J. Colby Bassett
Historian,	Miss Ethel Bradford Davis
Captain,	Lewis A. Crossett
Elder,	Rev. Paul Revere Frothingham, D.D.
Surgeon,	Edwin A. Daniels, M.D.
Assistants,	Frederick Brooks
	Mrs. Channing H. Cox
	Edric Eldridge
	Mrs. Randolph Frothingham
	Samuel Hammond
	Mrs. John Holmes Morison
	Mrs. Bayard Thayer

At the close of the business meeting the Secretary showed some lantern slides illustrating the work of the Society.

From the Secretary's Twenty-Seventh Annual Report

During the past Society year one hundred and thirty-five new members were elected, and six former members were re-instated. Thirty-five deaths were reported, there were twenty-four resignations, and forty-five were dropped for non-payment of annual dues. The net gain for the year has been thirty-seven, and the membership roll as of 28 March, 1923, bears fifteen hundred and seventy (1570) names.

Two Minor Life Members have reached the age of eighteen, and thus have automatically become regular Life Members, and now

have the right to vote at business meetings. Minor Life Members have all the rights and privileges of other members, except that of voting.

Four annual members made themselves Life Members, and seven applicants were elected as Life Members, during the year.

Books and pamphlets to the number of 286, also 21 photographs and photostats of old documents, two old family records (one of them framed), and other original documents and relics, have been received as gifts.

A large amount of new material has been added to "The Mayflower Genealogies", but our income is not sufficient to allow more than a very small proportion of important research work which should be undertaken. The work already done has opened up the possibility of many heretofore unsuspected lines of Mayflower descent, but these leads cannot be followed out, on account of the expense involved.

As opportunity offers, the material collected is being card indexed, but this work also is seriously handicapped by lack of funds. The thousands of index cards already written and filed have, however, resulted in establishing many new Mayflower connections.

Gifts for the Library and Cabinet

From Mrs. John Holmes Morison*: Framed Photograph of a miniature of her great-grandfather, Hon. Alden Bradford, born in 1765.

From Mrs. Elizabeth A. Keith: Mitchell's History of Bridgewater, first edition.

From Mrs. Charles F. Kidder*: Eleven Historical Magazines.

From Mr. Winthrop P. Tryon*: Quarterly Bulletin, N. Y. Historical Society, January, 1923.

From Mrs. H. W. Tinsman*: A Manuscript Copy, made by the donor, of the Vital Records of Bucksport, Me.

From Mrs. Joseph S. Swaim*: Six copies of "The Mayflower Descendant".

From Mr. George Rich, the compiler: "Early Rich History and Ancestry of Jonathan Rich, Jr."

From Mrs. Lawrence Brainerd*: Fragment of an unidentified Account Book, the earliest date 1735; Part of an Account Book of Nathan Bradford, the earliest date 1749; Francis Drew's Diary, 1806–1814 and 1821–1835; Extracts from Francis Drew's Diary, 1806–1850, made in 1882; Five Historical Pamphlets.

From Mrs. Frank D. Ellison*: Copies of the Gravestone Records in Barre, Mass.

From Mr. Walter M. Bacon*: Seventeen Copies of "The Mayflower Descendant".

* Member of the Massachusetts Society of Mayflower Descendants.

From Mr. Alfred S. Burbank*: Nineteen Copies of "The Mayflower Descendant".

From Mr. William T. Whedon*: Sixty copies of Historical Magazines.

From Mr. George Ernest Bowman*: The Quill with which Hon. Channing H. Cox, Governor of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, signed the bill Incorporating the "General Society of Mayflower Descendants", on 9 February, 1923.

Rear Admiral J. Dexter Adams died 19 February, 1922.† He was a descendant of Richard Warren, and was elected a member, 15 December, 1897, his membership number being 295.

Mrs. George Hall died 27 January, 1923, at Ossining, N. Y. She was a descendant of John Alden and John Howland, and was elected a member, 23 September, 1914, her membership number being 1313.

Mrs. Orlando S. Stetson died 1 March, 1923, at Worcester, Mass. She was a descendant of William Bradford, and was elected a member 9 May, 1921, her membership number being 2223.

Mr. James M. Ide died 2 March, 1923, at Troy, N. Y. He was a descendant of William Bradford, and was elected a member 30 June, 1920, his membership number being 1969.

Members Elected

8 January, 1923.

No. 2507. Lewis Abbott Crossett,‡ Boston, Mass., eighth from Isaac[1] Allerton, seventh from Remember[2] Allerton.

No. 2508. Mrs. William Minton, Hamilton, Ohio, tenth from William Brewster.

12 February, 1923.

No. 2509. Willard Ames Holbrook, Maj. Gen., U. S. A., Washington, D. C., eighth from Francis Cooke.

No. 2510. Alden Augustus Thorndike‡, Boston, Mass., ninth from John Alden.

No. 2511. Mrs. Alden Augustus Thorndike‡, Boston, Mass., tenth from William Brewster.

No. 2512. Mrs. Frank Bruce Davidson, Chicago, Ill., tenth from Stephen[1] Hopkins, ninth from Constance[2] Hopkins.

* Member of the Massachusetts Society of Mayflower Descendants.

† Notice was not received until 16 January, 1923. We have not been informed of the place of death.

‡ Life Member.

No. 2513. Perry Chatfield Davidson, Chicago, Ill., eleventh from Stephen[1] Hopkins, tenth from Constance[2] Hopkins.

No. 2514. George Marshall Jones, Pittsburgh, Pa., eighth from John Alden.

No. 2515. Ralph Whittemore White, Bridgewater, Mass., tenth from William Brewster.

No. 2516. Addington Doolittle, Croton-on-Hudson, N. Y., ninth from John Alden.

No. 2517. Miss Florence Estelle Tower, Auburndale, Mass., ninth from Stephen[1] Hopkins, eighth from Constance[2] Hopkins.

No. 2518. Miss Mabel Tower Eager, Auburndale, Mass., tenth from Stephen[1] Hopkins, ninth from Constance[2] Hopkins.

No. 2519. Leon Franklin Crane, Melrose, Mass., tenth from James[1] Chilton, ninth from Mary[2] Chilton.

No. 2520. Mrs. George Dimmick Latimer, Boston, Mass., ninth from William Brewster.

No. 2521. Mrs. Edward Eugene Williams, Quincy, Mass., tenth from Stephen[1] Hopkins, ninth from Constance[2] Hopkins.

No. 2522. Miss Virginia Harbert Corbett, Newtonville, Mass., ninth from Thomas Rogers.

No. 2523. Nelson Everett Howes, Holyoke, Mass., eighth from Myles Standish.

No. 2524. Carlos Hyatt Tye, Brookline, Mass., eighth from William[1] White, seventh from Resolved[2] White.

No. 2525. Mrs. Charles Leslie Chamberlain, Sterling, Mass., ninth from William Brewster.

No. 2526. Miss Ida Josephine Everett, Norton, Mass., ninth from Isaac[1] Allerton, eighth from Remember[2] Allerton.

12 March, 1923.

No. 2527. Rev. Edward Scribner Ames, Chicago, Ill., eighth from Francis Cooke.

No. 2528. Miss Kate Adams Swift, Andover, Mass., tenth from William Brewster.

No. 2529. Bradlee Rogers*, Boston, Mass., tenth from Richard Warren.

No. 2530. Mrs. Preston Newell Hamlin, Utica, N. Y., tenth from William Brewster.

No. 2531. Frank Mariner Orcutt, Cotuit, Mass., eleventh from James[1] Chilton, tenth from Mary[2] Chilton.

No. 2532. Mrs. Charles Henry Whittier, Cambridge, Mass., ninth from Degory Priest.

No. 2533. Russell William Magna, Holyoke, Mass., tenth from John Alden.

* Life Member.

No. 2534. Mrs. Russell William Magna, Holyoke, Mass., tenth from Degory Priest.

No. 2535. Roswell Dwight Hitchcock Emerson, Cambridge, Mass., tenth from Richard Warren.

No. 2536. Ernest Eugene Malcolm, New York, N. Y., tenth from Stephen[1] Hopkins, ninth from Constance[2] Hopkins.

No. 2537. Edward Irving Rice, Onondaga Valley, N. Y., ninth from William Bradford.

No. 2538. Miss Fanny Barstow Josselyn, Pembroke, Mass., seventh from Myles Standish.

26 March, 1923.

No. 2539. Mrs. John Franklin Robinson, Manchester, N. H., ninth from John Alden.

No. 2540. Newell Garfield, Mentor, Ohio, tenth from James[1] Chilton, ninth from Mary[2] Chilton.

No. 2541. Mrs. Newell Garfield, Mentor, Ohio, tenth from James[1] Chilton, ninth from Mary[2] Chilton.

No. 2542. Mrs. Walter Melvin Kendall, Attleborough, Mass., tenth from James[1] Chilton, ninth from Mary[2] Chilton.

No. 2543. Miss Maria Therese Perkins,* Brookline, Mass., ninth from George Soule.

No. 2544. Miss Anne Donohue Baker, Frankfort, Ky., tenth from William Brewster.

Supplemental Lines Accepted

[The By-Laws require an additional fee of two dollars ($2.00) for each Supplemental Line filed with the Society.]

February, 1923.

No. 1968. Mrs. Harvey J. Fetter; eighth from John Alden; ninth from John Alden; ninth from William Brewster; ninth from Thomas Rogers; ninth from Richard Warren.

No. 2460. Mrs. Willard G. Aborn; tenth from William Brewster (in two lines); eleventh from William Brewster; tenth from Stephen[1] Hopkins, ninth from Constance[2] Hopkins; tenth from John Howland.

March, 1923.

No. 2373. George F. Kendall, ninth from John Howland.

Attest: George Ernest Bowman,
Secretary.

* Life Member.

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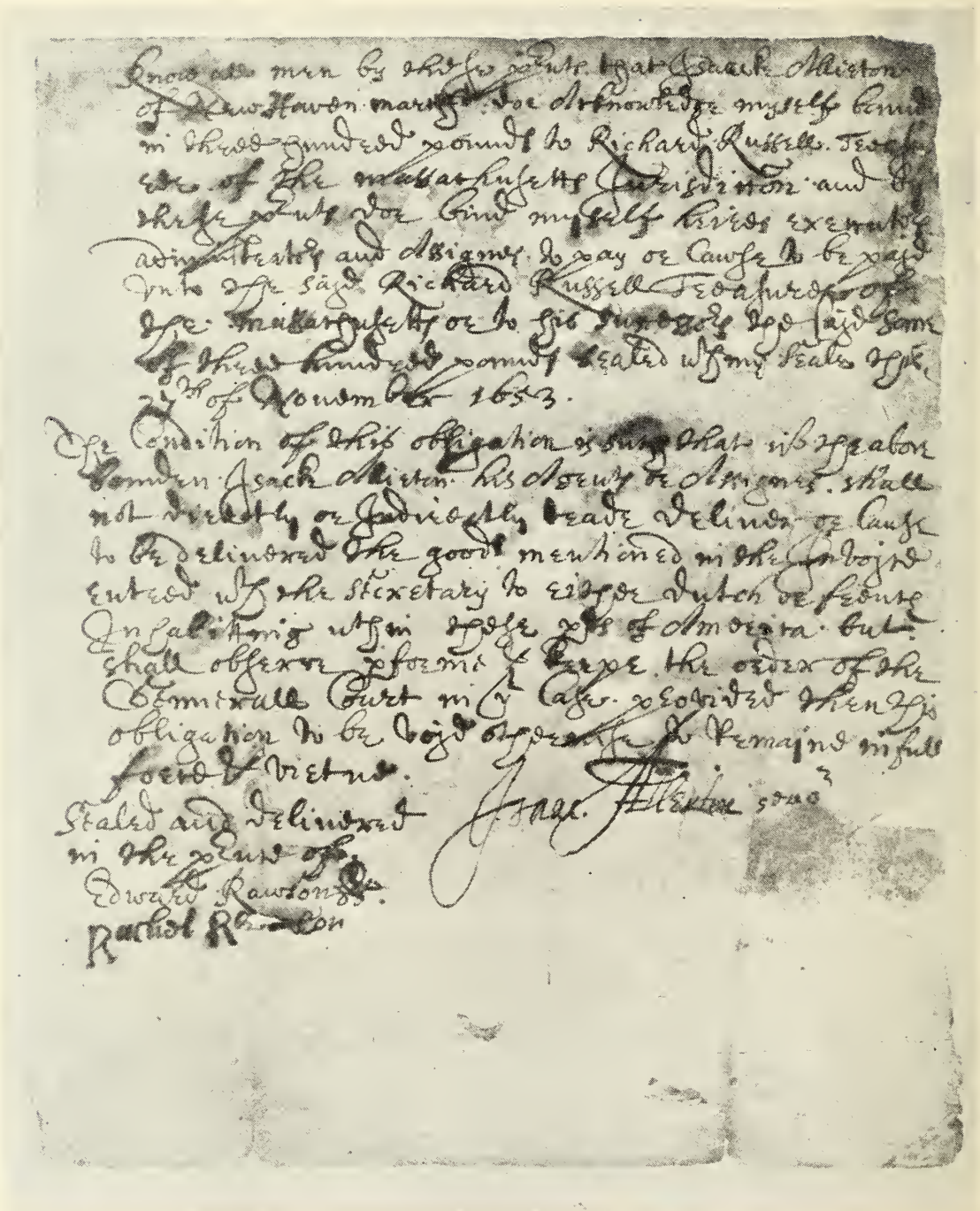

ISAAC ALLERTON'S AUTOGRAPH

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AN AUTOGRAPH OF ISAAC ALLERTON THE MAYFLOWER PASSENGER

By the Editor

In 1653, the Massachusetts Bay Colony forbade, under heavy penalties, the transportation of provisions to the Dutch or French plantations in America, and any person desiring to carry provisions out of the Colony, for purposes of trade, was required to give a bond, of double the value of the goods, to ensure obedience to the law.

At that time Isaac Allerton, the Mayflower Passenger, was a merchant in New Haven Colony, now New Haven, Conn., and on 27 November, 1653, he gave a bond of £300, not to deliver to Dutch or French certain goods listed in an invoice filed with the Secretary of the Massachusetts Bay Colony.

The original bond, bearing the autograph signature of Isaac Allerton, is now owned by Rev. Roderick Terry, D.D., of Newport, R. I., who has very kindly given the Editor of this magazine permission to reproduce it in the accompanying illustration.

The document is about seven and one-half inches high and about six and one-eighth inches wide.

The first witness, Edward Rawson, was the Secretary of the Massachusetts Bay Colony, and the second witness probably was his daughter Rachel.

This bond is reproduced at the expense of three members of the Massachusetts Society of Mayflower Descendants, Mr. Herbert E. Cushman and his daughters, Miss Sarah Cushman

and Miss Eleanor J. Cushman, of New Bedford, Mass. They are descendants of Elder Thomas Cushman and his wife Mary, who was a daughter of Isaac Allerton.

A literal copy of the original document follows.

[Isaac Allerton's Bond]

Know all men by these p^rnts . that Isaacke Allirton of New Haven . marcht: doe Acknowledge myself bound in three hundred pounds to Richard Russell . Treasurer . of the massachusetts Jurisdiccon and by these p^rnts Doe bind myself heires execcutors . administrators and Assignes . to pay or Cause to be paid unto the said Richard Russell Treasurer of the massachusetts or to his successors the said some of three hundred pounds sealed w^th my seale this 27^th of November 1653.

The Condition of this obligation is such that if the above bounden . Isacke Allirton . his Agents or Assignes . shall not directly or Indirectly trade Deliver or Cause to be delivered the goods mentioned in the Invoice entred w^th the secretary to either Dutch or french Inhabitting w^thin these pts of America . but . shall observe pforme & keepe . the order of the Gennerall Court in y^t Case provided then this obligation to be void otherwise to Remaine in full force & virtue.

Sealed and Delivered in the p^rnce of
Edward Rawson
Rachel Ra[*worn*]on

Isaac Allerton seno^r (seal)

THANKFUL (STURGIS) THACHER'S WILL

By the Editor

Thankful Sturgis[4], daughter of Edward Sturgis of Yarmouth, Mass., by his wife Temperance Gorham[3] (*Desire*[2] *Howland, John*[1]), was married, about 1693, to Peter Thacher, son of John and Rebecca (Winslow) Thacher, of Yarmouth.

Peter and Thankful (Sturgis) Thacher had seven children recorded at Yarmouth*: Thankful Thacher[5], who married John

* Mayflower Descendant, 13 : 225, 226.

Hallet; Peter Thacher[5], who died young; An unnamed son, who lived only two days; Sarah Thacher[5], who married George Lewis; Temperance Thacher[5], who married Seth Crocker; Peter Thacher[5] (a second child of the name), who married Anner Lewis; Hannah Thacher[5], who died unmarried, in her thirty-third year.

Hon. Peter Thacher, the father, died 13 February, 1736, in his seventy-first year, and widow Thankful Thacher died 1 May, 1745, in her seventy-first year, according to the records on their gravestones in the Ancient Cemetery at Yarmouth, Mass*.

The will of Hon. Peter Thacher was printed in our nineteenth volume. We here print an exhaustive abstract of the will of his widow, Thankful Thacher, and of all records relating to it, found in the Barnstable County, Mass., Probate Registry.

[Widow Thankful Thacher's Will]

[Barnstable Co. Prob., 6:438] "Thankfull Thacher of Yarmouth" made her will on 30 April, 1745, and signed it by a mark. Bequests were as follows:

"I Give to my Daughter Thankfull Hallet Twenty Shillings old Tennour"

"I Give to my Daughter Sarah Lewis Twenty Shillings old Tennour"

"I Give to my Son Peter Thacher my Gold Ring"

"I Give to Thomas Crocker the Only Surviving son of my Daughter Temperance Crocker decesed twenty Shilling old Ten^{r}"

"I Give to my Grandson John Hallet J^{r} my Silver Spoon"

"I Give and bequeath all the Remaining part of my Estate to my Daughter Hannah Thacher for her Use and to be at her Dispose forever whome I Likewise Constitute & Ordain Sole Executrix to this my Last will"

The will was witnessed by Thomas Baxter, Jr., Joseph Thacher and Judah Thacher.

On 8 May, 1745, the will was probated, on the oaths of "Judah Thacher Esq^{r} Joseph Thacher Ju^{r} and Thomas Baxter Ju^{r}" and administration granted to "Hannah Thacher of Yarmouth" the executrix therein named.

* Gravestone Records in the Ancient Cemetery, Yarmouth, page 34.

HARWICH, MASS., VITAL RECORDS

(*Continued from page 64*)

[p. 39] Feb^{y} 9th 1743 Then William Baker & Eliz^{a} Cowet ware Married in Harwich ℔ Joseph Doane Justice Peace

March 6th 1743 Then Seth Holmes of Rochester & Lidia Small of Harwich ware Maried ℔ Joseph Doane Justic Peace

April 5^{t} 1744 Then Sam^{ll} Bangs & Hannah Wing both of Harwich ware Marred in Harwich ℔ Rev^{d} Nath^{l} Stone

May 10th 1744 Then Selvanus Harding of Chatham & Keziah Burge of Harwich ware Maried ℔ Rev^{d} Nath^{l} Stone

Feb^{y}* 1743 Then Samuel Hall of Lebanon & Sarah Gray of Harwich ware Marred ℔ Edmond Freeman Justice of Peace

Feb^{y} 7th Then Rubin Eldredg of Harwich & Jerusha OKilley of Yarmouth ware Married in Harwich ℔ Joseph Doane Justic Peace

March 18th 1744 Then Isaac Smith of Eastham & Mary Freeman of Harwich ware Married in Harwich ℔ Joseph Freeman Justice Peace

1744 Jan^{y} 5 Then Zachery Rodger & Elizabeth King both of Harwich ware Married in Harwich ℔ Nath^{l} Stone Clerk

April 5 Then Samuel Bangs†

Oct^{r} 4th Then Jonathan Hopkin & Rebeca Freeman both of Harwich ware Marred in Harwich ℔ Rev^{d} Nath^{l} Stone

Nov^{r} 8th Then Joseph Phelps‡ & Marcy Small ware Marred in Harwich ℔ Rev^{d} Nath^{l} Stone

Dcemb 6th Then Jeremiah Lincoln & Mary Bangs both of Harwich ware Married in Harwich ℔ Rev^{d} Nath^{l} Stone

March 14th Then Dean Smith & Rachel Hopkin both of Harwich ware Mared in Harwich ℔ Nath^{l} Stone Clerk

July 30 1745 Then Joshua Nickoson & Thankfull Eldredg both of Harwich ware Marred in Harwich ℔ Joseph Doane Justic Peace

Oct^{r} 10th 1745 Then Lemuel Eldredg of Yarmouth & Reliance Mayo of Harwich ware Married in Harwich ℔ Joseph Doane Justic Peace

Oct 24th 1745 Then Gershom Wheeldin of Yarmouth & Prissilla Nickoson of Harwich ware Married in Harwich ℔ Joseph Doane Justic Peace

* The day of the month was omitted.

† This entry was left unfinished.

‡ The "Intention of Marriage between Joseph Phillips & Mercy Small both of Harwich" was recorded at Harwich, 25 August, 1744. [Mayflower Descendant, 25:60.]

Dcemb 6th 1745 Then Samuel Nickoson Jur & Hannah Phillips both of Harwich ware Married in Harwich by Joseph Doane Justice Peace

Jany 3d 1745 Then Rubin Wixson of Yarmouth & Darkis Chase of Harwich ware Married in Harwich by Joseph Freeman Justice Peace

July 11th 1745 Then Daniel Sears of Chatham & Fear Freeman of Harwich ware Married ℔ Revd Nathl Stone

Octr 31st Then John Hurd Jur & Tabatha Crosbe both of Harwich ware Married in Harwich ℔ Revd Nathl Stone

Novr 28th 1745 Then John King Jur & Margaret Lincoln ware Married in Harwich ℔ Revd Nathl Stone

Novr 5th 1745 Then Barnabas Griffeth & Hannah Lincoln both of Harwich ware Married in Harwich ℔ Revd Nathl Stone

Feby 13th 1745 Then Samuel Croshoman & Darkis Wickonut both of Harwich ware Marred in Harwich ℔ Revd Nathl Stone

April 24th 1746 Then Elisha Higgin of Eastham & Rachel Hopkins of Harwich ware Married in Harwich ℔ Revd Nathl Stone

(*To be continued*)

FRANCIS AND EXPERIENCE MILLER OF MIDDLEBOROUGH, MASS.

By the Editor

Experience Hawes[4], daughter of John Hawes of Yarmouth, Mass., by his wife Desire Gorham[3] (*Desire*[2] *Howland, John*[1]), was born 24 September, 1686, and was married at Yarmouth, on 1 March, 1703/4, to her first husband, Ebenezer Sprout[3] (*Elizabeth*[2] *Samson, Henry*[1]) of Scituate, and later of Middleborough, Mass., who died 28 September, 1726, in his 52d year, according to the record on his gravestone at Middleborough.

Ebenezer Sprout's will*, dated 8 September, 1726, mentions his wife Experience; daughters, Thankful (Sprout[4]) Bennet, Abigail Sprout[4] and Mary Sprout[4]; and sons, Ebenezer Sprout[4] and James Sprout[4].

The widow Experience (Hawes) Sprout was married, at Middleborough, on 22 November, 1731, to Francis Miller[5], son of John Miller and his wife Lydia Coombs[4] (*Francis*[3], *Sarah*[2] *Priest, Degory*[1]). Francis Miller was born at Middleborough,

* See "Lieutenant Ebenezer Sprout's Will", in this issue.

11 January, 1702/3, and died between 29 October, 1746, the date of his will, and 6 April, 1747, the day it was probated.

Experience (Hawes) (Sprout) Miller apparently had no children by Francis Miller, as none are mentioned in his will, which gives his whole estate to his widow and his three brothers, John Miller, David Miller and Elias Miller, all of Middleborough.

Widow Experience (Hawes) Sprout had bought land from James[3] Soule (*John*[2], *George*[1]), in 1726/7, and in 1738 Francis and Experience Miller sold this land to "Our Son Ebenezer Sprout".

In 1747, a few months after her second husband's death, Widow Experience Miller sold all her interest in his estate to his three brothers, John Miller, David Miller and Elias Miller.

Experience (Hawes) (Sprout) Miller died 19 November, 1758, in her 74th year, according to her gravestone at Middleborough, Mass., which records the fact that she was the widow of Francis Miller and formerly the wife of Lieutenant Ebenezer Sprout.

We here print exhaustive abstracts of Francis Miller's will and all other records relating to the settlement of his estate, found in the Plymouth County, Mass., Probate Records, also exhaustive abstracts of the two deeds referred to.

[Francis Miller's Will]

[Plym. Co. Prob., 10:440] "Francis Miller of the Town of Middlebor°" made his will 29 October, 1746. Bequests were as follows:

To "wife Experience Miller the use and improvement of the one third part of all my Homestead lands and meadows which lyeth there adjoyning together on the Westerly side of the brooke Called Raven brooke and also the use & improvement of One third part of the Buildings theron dureing the time She remains my Widdow, also I Give & bequeath unto my s[d] wife the Value of Fifty pounds old tenour Out of my Personal Estate to be at her own Disposeing"

To "my three Brothers John Miller David Miller & Elias Miller . . . . all the remaining part of my Estate both real and personal with the debts due unto me, my Just debts & funeral Charges being first paid out of the Same, The Same to be Equally divided between them saveing that my Brother John

Miller Shall first have out of the whole the Value of fifty pounds old tenour more then his Equal part"

"my Brother John Miller" was named as executor.

The witnesses were Jacob Tomson, Joseph Tinkham and James Faunce. "The Will of Francis Miller . . . . yeoman" was probated, 6 April, 1747, on the oaths of the three witnesses, and administration granted to "Jn° Miller of Middlebro afores^{d} yeoman Exec^{r}".

[10:439] "Middleborough May 14. 1747", Nathaniel Southworth, John Weston and Nehemiah Washburne took the inventory of "m^{r} Francis Miller". The total was £2797, 8s., 6d. The real estate was: "1 South purchase Lott" £90; "another South purchase Lott" £13; "a quarter part of the 23^{d} lot of Seder Swamp in the 26 mens purchase" £28; "His home farme with the buildings & Fences theron" £1900; "12 Acres of Sedar Swamp in Henry Woods Swamp so Called" £60. "a Prentice boy named Jeremiah Feild" was valued at £50.

The three appraisers made oath to the inventory, on 16 May, 1747, and the administrator made oath to it, on 14 July, 1747.

[Miller to Sprout]

[Plym. Co. Deeds, 35:211] On 10 August, 1738, "Francis Miller and Experience Miller his Wife of the Town of Middleborough", for £65, sold to "Our Son Ebenezer Sprout of the Town of Middleborough . . . . A Certain Parcel of Land Containing by Estimation about thirty Six acres . . . . in the . . . . Six and twenty Mens Purchase in . . . . Middleborough aforesaid, and is Part of the Seventeenth Lot . . . . in the first allotment of Hundred acre Lots in said Purchase, Namely Part of the first fifty acres laid out unto said Hundred acre Lot; That is to Say all that Part of said Fifty acre Lot which lyeth on the Westerly Side of the Countrey Road that leadeth from the old Meeting House in said Middleborough towards Bridgewater (Excepting One Acre thereof which was formerly Sold by James Soule unto Elizabeth Morss and now belongeth unto Ephraim Wood) Being that thirty Six acres of Land which the above named Experience Miller (al^{s} Experience Sprout) formerly bought of James Soul As may appear by One Deed . . . . bearing Date January the 27th 1726/7."

The witnesses were Elkanah Leonard and Ebenezer Morton.

"Francis Miller and Experience his Wife" acknowledged the deed, 10 August, 1738, before Benjamin White, Justice of the Peace. It was recorded 23 April, 1743.

[Miller to Miller]

[Plym. Co. Deeds, 39:97] On 19 September, 1747, "Experience Miller of Middleboro .... Widow & Relict of Francis Miller late of Middleboro afores^{d} Yeoman Dec^{d} In Consideration of Fifty Pounds Old Tenour paid & Security for the Annual Payment of Five Pounds last Emission Bills during my Natural Life and also In Consideration of all those articles & Things which I Carried to y^{e} s^{d} Francis in Marriage which are now in being & which I have Rec^{d} of John Miller David Miller & Elias Miller all of Middleboro afores^{d} Do hereby Give .... & Confirm unto them y^{e} s^{d} John David & Elias all my Right of Dower and Interest whatsoever .... unto & in all y^{e} Estate real & personal Which the s^{d} Francis died Siezed of or had at any time during the Coverture Saving the above Articles & Things which I have rec^{d} as aboves^{d}"

The deed was signed by a mark. The witnesses were John Cushing and Benjamin White. It was acknowledged, 17 September, 1747, before John Cushing, Justice of the Peace, and was recorded, 30 March, 1748.

MIDDLEBOROUGH, MASS., VITAL RECORDS

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[p. 92] Phebe Thomas Daughter of Eleazer Thomas by Mary his wife was born April 1st 1748

Ruth Thomas Daughter of Eleazer Thomas by Mary his wife was born July 14th 1751

Elisabeth Thomas Daughter of Eleazer Thomas by Mary his wife was born March 3^{d} 1753

Eleazer Thomas Son of Eleazer Thomas by Mary His wife was born March 4th 1755

Silance Thomas Daughter of Eleazer Thomas by Mary his wif was born Feb^{y} 20th 1757

Noah Thomas Son of Eleazer Thomas by Mary His wife was born July 11th 1759

Solomon Thomas Son of Eleazer Thomas by Mary his wife was born October 18th 1761

Samuel Thomas Son of Eleazer Thomas by Mary His wife was born Oct^{r} 20th 1763

William Tupper Son to William Tupper by Susanna His wife was born January 9th 1766

Amos Tinkham Son to Amos Tinkham by Sarah his wife was born May 21st 1765

Ebenezer Tinkham Son of Shubael Tinkham by Sarah his wife was born April 20th 1766 1766

Mercy Tomson & Elisabeth Tomson Daughters of Jacob Tomson Junr by Freelove his wife was born Twins June 17th 1766

Joshua Willias Son of James Willias by mary his wife was born June 25th Day 1764

Woodward Willias Son of James Willias by mary his wife was born October 12th 1766

[p. 93] James Soul Son of William Soul by Sarah his wife was born July 23d 1761

Lydia Soul Daughter of william Soul by Sarah his wife was born July 18th 1763

Asenath Soul Daughter of William Soul by Sarah his wife was born August 18th 1765

Nathan Sherman Son of Edward Sherman by Lucy his Wife Was born December 8th 1765

Daniel Shaw Son of Samuel Shaw Junr by Fear his wife was born January 22th 1765

Zebedee Shaw Son of Elijah Shaw by Phebee his wife was born September the 10th 1764

mary Snell Daughter of Daniel Snell by Abigail his wife was born april 23d 1756 and Deceast July 15th 1757

mary Snell Daughter of Daniel Snell by Abigail his wife was born April 13th 1758

Elisabeth Snell Daughter of Daniel Snell by Abigail his wife was born Feby 2d 1760

Jacob Smith son of John Smith Junr by Bethiah his Wife was born September 13th 1766

William Shaw Son of Samuel Shaw Junr by Fear his wife was Born august the 23rd 1766

Jacob Soul Son of Jacob Soul By Sarah his wife was born February the 4th 1763

Thomas Soul Son of Jacob Soul by Sarah his Wife was Born September the 1st 1764

Jonathan Soul Son of Jacob Soul by Sarah his wife was Born April the 24th 1766

Samuel Smith Son of William Smith By Remembrence his wife was born october the 6th 1767

Fear Shaw Daughter of Samuel Shaw by Fear his wife was Born July 3d 1768 1768

[p. 94] Esther Clap Daughter of Manassa Clap by Rebekah his wife was born March 20th 1747

Elijah Clap Son of Manassa Clap by Rebekah his wife was born June 22d 1751

William Clap Son to Manassa Clap by Rebekah His wife was born June 10th 1756

Silvanus Cushman Son of Ichabod Cushman by Patience his wife was born April 27th 1764

Earl Cushman Son of Ichabod Cushman by Patience his Wife Was born October the 16th 1766

Zebulon Cushman Son of Isaac Cushman by Sarah his wife was born July 25 1763

Olive Cushman Daughter of Isaac Cushman by Sarah his wife was born February 28th 1766

William Pitt Cushman Son of William Cushman Junr & Susanna his wife was born November 23d 1766

Joseph Clarke Son of Doctr Samuel Clarke By Lucy his wife was Born December the 2nd 1755

Nathaniel Clarke Son of Doctr Samuel Clarke By Lucy his wife was born December 31st 1757 Deceased october 27th 1759 aged 1 year 9 month & 27 days

Sarah Clarke Daughter of Doctr Samuel Clarke By Lucy his wife was born October the 30th 1760

Mary Clarke Daughter of Doctr Samuel Clarke By Lucy his wife was Born October the 20th 1764

Lewis Cobb Son of Andrew Cobb by Experience his wife was Born December 9th 1766

Welthea Cushman Daughter of William Cushman by Priscilla his wife was Born September 13th 1767

[p. 95] Susanna Powers Daughter of Dor Stephen Powers by Lydia his wife was born December 14th 1760

Mary Powers Daughter of Dor Stephen Powers by Lydia his wife was born march 2d 1766

James Porter Son of Joseph Porter by Martha his wife was born June 5th 1760 1760 and Departed this Life July 3d 1763

Martha Porter Daughter of Joseph Porter by Martha his wife Was born March 9th 1763 1763

Joseph Porter Son of Joseph Porter by Martha his wife was born March 6th 1765 1765

Benjamin Pratt Son of Benjamin Pratt by Lydia his wife was born April 25 1745

William Pratt Son of Capt Benjamin Pratt by Lydia his wife was born April 6th 1747

Calven Pratt Son of Capt Benjamin Pratt by Lydia his wife was born April 29th 1749

Nathan Pratt Son of Capt Benjamin Pratt by Lydia his wife was born April 3d 1751

Lydia Pratt Daughter of Capt Benjamin Pratt by Lydia his wife was born January 29th 1753

Hannah Pratt Daughter of Capt Benjamin Pratt by Lydia his wife was born april 3d 1757

Sarah Pratt Daughter of Capt Benjamin Pratt by Lydia his wife was born December 14th 1758

Betty Pratt Daughter of Capt Benjamin Pratt by Lydia his wife was born October 19th 1761

Luther Pratt Son of Capt Benjamin Pratt by Lydia his wife was born September 29th 1763

Zachariah Paddock Son of Zachariah Paddock by Martha his wife was Born July the 21st 1767

Relief Perry Daughter of Elijah Perry by Sarah his wife was born September 22d 1765 1765

Elisabeth Peirce Daughter of Capt Abial Peirce by Mrs Hannah Peirce his wife was Born April 12th 1771

[p. 96] Middleborough April 13th 1766 Then Nathaniel Jackson Junr & Rebekah Holloway Both of Middleborough ware Joyned In marriage by me Ebenr Hinds Baptist Minister

Middleborough April 15th 1766 Then Henry Evens of Berkley & Rachel Reynolds of Middleborough were Joyned In Marriage by me Ebenr Hinds Baptist Minister

Middleborough July 17th 1766 Then Nathaniel Barrows & Hannah Jones both of Middleborough ware Joyned In Marriage by me Ebenr Hinds Baptist minister

Middleborough August 14th 1766 Then Simeon Vaughan & Naomia Jones Both of Middleborough ware Joyned In Marriage by me Ebener Hinds Baptist Minister

Plimouth ss: September 30th 1766 this Day John Jacobs Trancient person & Abigail Faunce of Middleboro ware Joined in Marriage pr me Joseph Tinkham Justice a peace

Plimouth ss: October 26th 1766 This Day Francis Woods of Bridgwater & Rebeckah Tomson of Hallifax ware Joined in marriage by me Joseph Tinkham Justice a peace

December the 11 1766 Then Benjamin Jones Resident in middleborough and Abigail Cole of middleborough both in the County of Plimouth Were Joyned in marriage by me John Willias Justice of Peace

Septr 23d 1764 I marred John Eaton of middleboro & patience Shelby of Raynham

Novr 29: 1764 I married John Tawnsel Junr & Hannah Curtice both of middleborough

Sepr 19: 1765 I married Abel Richmond of middleborough & Bathshebea Richmond of Taunton

October 30th 1765 married mr Zepheniah Leonard of Raynham & mrs Abigail Alden of middleborough Pr Solomon Reed

[p. 97] Sarah LittleJohn Daughter of James LittleJohn by Sarah his wife was born may 29th 1765

Lydiah Leach Daughter of Abiel Leach Jur by Lucy his Wife was born April 18th 1766

Benaiah Leonard Son of [*] Joseph Leonard the 2nd by [*]Ruth his wife was born July the 21st 1765

Hannah Leonard Daughter of Joseph Leonard 2d by Ruth his wife was Born August the 6th 1767

Samuel Lovell Son of Joseph Lovell By Patience his wife was Born August 29th 1762

Silvanus Lovell Son of Joseph Lovell By Patience his Wife was August 29th 1764

Simeon Leonard Son of Archelaus Leonard by Lydia his wife was Born April 24th 1764

Bathsheba Leonard Daughter of Archelaus Leonard by Lydia his wife was born February 28th 1766

Archelaus Leonard Son of Archelaus Leonard by Lydia his wife was born March 25th 1768

Isaac Leach Son of Abial Leach Junr by Lucy his wife was Born February 6th 1768 1768

Joshua Leonard Son of Meshach Leonard by Patience his wife was born October 7th 1769 1769.

Mary Leach Daughter of Abial Leach Junr by Lucy his wife was Born February 19th 1770 1770

Miriam LittleJohn Daughter of James LittleJohn by Sarah his wife was Born July 20th 1769

Ruth Leonard Daughter of Meshach Leonard by Patience his wife was Born June 17th 1770 1770

Hannah LittleJohn daughter of James LittleJohn by Sarah his wife was Born February 7th 1771 1771

James LittleJohn Son of James LittleJohn by Sarah his wife was Born July ye 24th 1774 1774

[p. 98] Abner Wood Son of Lemuel Wood by Rebekah his Wife was born October 8th 1766

Huldia Winslow Daughter of Hannah Winslow Benjamin Miller the Reputed Father born April 25th 1765

Timothy Wood Son of Silas Wood by Priscilla his wife was born June 28: 1766 1766

Huldia Washburn Daughter of Jonah Washburn by Huldia his wife was born June 27th 1766

Abner Weston Son of James Weston by Abigail His wife was born November 26 1764

Huldia Weston Daughter of James weston by Abigail his Wife was born February 10th 1767

Lucia Wood Daughter of Ensn Nathaniel Wood By Mary his wife was Born April 5th 1768

John Weston Son of Lt John Weston Junr By Elisabeth his wife was Born October 19th 1767

Jacob Wood Son of Ephraim Wood By Mary his wife was born April 29th 1768

* "mr" and "mrs" was written before these names, but erased.

Lusanna Wood Daughter of Simeon Wood by Sarah his wife was Born February 25th 1768
John Wood Son of Seth Wood By Lydia his wife was born march 7th 1768
Susanna Wood Daughter of Lemuel Wood by Rebekah his wife was Born April 6th 1768 1768
Andrew White Son of Capt Benjamin White by Mrs Hannah his wife was Born March 2nd 1761: 1761
Nathan White Son of Capt Benjamin White By Mrs Hannah his wife was born February 15th 1763
Ruth White Daughter of Capt Benjamin White by Mrs Hannah his wife was born November the 2nd 1766. 1766

(*To be continued*)

THE WILL OF JOSHUA KNOWLES OF EASTHAM, MASS.

By the Editor

Joshua Knowles of Eastham, Mass., was married, on 13 March, 1717/18, by Nathaniel Freeman, Esq., to Sarah Paine[5], of Eastham, daughter of John Paine[4] (*Mary Snow*[3], *Constance*[2] *Hopkins, Stephen*[1]) and his first wife, Bennet Freeman[4] (*Mercy Prence*[3], *Patience*[2] *Brewster, William*[1]). Sarah Paine[5] was born at Eastham, on 14 April, 1699.

Joshua and Sarah (Paine[5]) Knowles had eight children born at Eastham, as follows: Jesse Knowles[6], born 13 April, 1723; Rebecca Knowles[6], born 23 May, 1726, married Isaac Sparrow; Sarah Knowles[6], born 10 March, 1727/8, died young; Joshua Knowles[6], born 27 April, 1730; Sarah Knowles[6] (second child of the name), born 3 June, 1732, married Elkanah Higgins; Josiah Knowles[6], born 24 May, 1735; Simeon Knowles[6], born 11 August, 1737; Susanna Knowles[6], born 21 March, 1740, married Zoeth Smith.

Sarah (Paine[5]) Knowles died at Eastham, on 12 July, 1772, and on 27 December, 1774*, Joshua Knowles was again married, at Truro, to Phebe Atwood, who survived him. He died at Eastham, on 27 May, 1786.

Literal copies of the original records of all the foregoing births, etc., except the second marriage of Joshua Knowles, were printed in the eighth and fifteenth volumes of this magazine.

* Truro, Mass., Records.

Joshua Knowles made his will on 2 November, 1778, and it was probated on 26 June, 1786, a month after his death. It mentions his wife Phebe; the heirs of his two deceased sons, Jesse and Josiah; his two living sons, Joshua and Simeon; his three daughters, Rebecca wife of Isaac Sparrow, Sarah wife of Elkanah Higgins, and Susanna widow of Zoeth Smith.

The division of the real estate, in 1786, shows that the son Joshua Knowles[7] had died before his father. The son Joshua died 7 May, 1779, in his 49th year, according to the record on his gravestone at North Truro, printed in our thirteenth volume.

We here print exhaustive abstracts of the will of Joshua Knowles, the father, and of all other records relating to the settlement of his estate, found in the Barnstable County, Mass., probate records. The probate files contain no original papers concerning the estate.

This article is printed at the expense of Mr. Percival Hall Lombard, of Brookline, Mass., who is a member of the Massachusetts Society of Mayflower Descendants, and is descended from Joshua and Sarah (Paine[5]) Knowles, through their second son, Joshua Knowles[6], who married Mary Harding.

[Will of Joshua Knowles]

[Barnstable Co. Prob., 26: 221] "Joshua Knowles of Eastham . . . . Gentleman" made his will 2 November, 1778*. Funeral expenses and debts were to be paid, one half out of the personal and one half out of the real estate. Bequests were as follows:

To "Phebe my wellbeloved wife the one third part of all my real and personal Estate to her improvement so long as she remains my widow."

To "the Heirs of my son Jesse and to my son Joshua and to the Heirs of my son Josiah and to my son Simeon the whole of my real Estate to be equally divided between them allowing their mother the improvement as above"

To "my Sons Joshua and Simeon my wearing apparel equally between them."

To "my three Daughters namely Rebecca the wife of Isaac Sparrow and Sarah the Wife of Elkanah Higgins and

*"Seven hundred & Sixty eight" was first written, but was altered to read "Seventy eight".

Susannah the widow of Zoheth Smith all my personal Estate allowing the improvement as above."

"my son Simeon Knowles to be my executor."

The witnesses were Barnabas Freeman, Isaac Paine and John Smith.

The will was probated, 26 June, 1786, on the testimony of Isaac Paine and John Smith, and administration granted to Simeon Knowles, the executor.

[26: 200] On 26 June, 1786, Elijah Knowles, Esq., with John Smith and Isaac Paine, yeomen, all three of Eastham, were appointed appraisers. The inventory was signed by Elijah Knowles and Isaac Paine on 30 June, 1786, and sworn to, on 27 September, 1786, by Simeon Knowles, the executor.

The real estate was: "The field wher the Barn now Stands planted with corn as the fence Stood this Spring" £23; "middle field enclosed as the fence now Stands" £30; "Meadow pasture field so called" £22, 10s.; "Hay field at the Shore" £12; "the field between the Swamps and all the Swamps north side and half the Swamp on the South Side" £30; "Southwest corner field & half the Swamp on the north Side" £8; "The Barn" £3, 12s.; "The meadow inclosed with the homested" £12; "The woodland that lies between the ways near the widow Lydia Doanes Dwelling House" £10, 10s.; "Lot of meadow near Stony Island" £3; "Two lots of meadow lying on the foreside of the great plat* So called" £10, 10s.; "One lot & half adjoining great Creek on said Great flat" £4, 10s.; "One lot at Edmunds Creek" £4, 10s.; "One lot called Walkers Lot on Said Great Flat" £1, 4s.; "One proprietors right" 12s.

"Wearing apparel one Silver head Cane" were valued at £4, 14s.; "Silver Plate" £4, 14s. "4 tenths of a Pew in the North meeting house" £3; "Great Bible and Some Small Books" 9s.

[26: 313] An account, dated "Sandwich September 14th 1786", by Samuel Knowles, executor, was approved on 14 October, 1786. In it an "Inventory exhibited the 9th Day of October A D 1787"† was referred to. Real estate to the amount of £17, 9s. had been sold. Payments had been made to: Joseph Snow, John Atwood, Nathan Doane, "Dr Seabury", John Mayo, "Deacon Knowles", Winslow Lewis, Thomas Paine, Sarah Knowles, Seth Knowles, "Doctr Fessenden". The "funeral Charge" was 9s. 8d.

* Evidently an error in recording, "great flat" was intended.

† So recorded.

[26: 192] On 30 November, 1786, Elijah Knowles, Nathan Doane and Seth Knowles, 2d, by order of the probate court, divided the real estate and set off "to Phebe Knowles relict widow . . . . one third part . . . . agreeable to the last will . . . . of the Said deceased . . . . viz: A peice of Land where the barn now Stands begining at Simeon Knowles his northwest corner bound by the way thence westerly by Said Simeon Knowles his range to a Stone in the ground in the bridge feild So called thence northerly cross the Said feild to a Stone in the Ground where the fence now Stands adjoining the meadow thence westerly as the fence now Stands to a partition fence that incloses the Said meadow thence as Said fence now Stands to Joseph Snows range thence easterly by a creek in the Snows range untill it comes to the meadow now owned by the Heirs of Josiah Knowles thence South in the range of the Said heirs of Josiah Knowles to a Stone in the Ground thenc[e] East eight rods and half to a Stone in the Ground Thence Southerly in the range of the Heirs of Jesse Knowles to the aforesaid way and Southerly by Said way to the first bound. and one measured Acre of Swamp on the Northwest part of the Swamp adjoining to David Knowles and one third part of the aforesaid Barn allowing to the heirs of Said Estate liberty to come to Said Barn as they Shall have occasion and to lay their manure about said barn and to carry their manure away and liberty to pass and repass for said Heirs over Said land as they may have occasion. and a peice of woodland adjoining to Daniel Cole begining at Said Coles Northeast corner bound by the way that leads from James Atwoods towards wellfleet thence in Said Coles range to the main road thence by the Said Main Road five rods to a tree marked thence easterly to a tree marked by the first mentioned road thence Southerly by Said road thirteen rods to the first bound mentioned and one tenth of a Pew in the North meeting house"

The division was approved by the probate court, on 13 February, 1787.

[26 : 207] On 24 February, 1787, "John Doane J^{r} Isaac Paine & Joseph Snow all of Eastham" were appointed "to make division & partition of all the real Estate . . . . excepting that part of Said estate that is sett off to Phebe Knowles relict widow of said deceased for her dower by sitting off to Simeon Knowles eldest Surviving Son of Said deceased one quarter part thereof by meets & bounds & to the heirs of Joshua Knowles one other son of said deceased one quarter part thereof by meets & bounds

& to the Heirs of Jesse Knowles one other son of said deceased one quarter part thereof by meets & bounds and to the heirs of Josiah Knowles one other son of said deceased the other quarter part thereof by meets and bounds agreeable to the direction of Said deceaseds last will"

The division was made on 24 March, 1787, and approved by the court on 10 April, 1787.

They "Sett of to Simeon Knowles only Surviving Son of said deceased one quarter part thereof bounded as followeth begining at the Southwest corner bound of the aforesaid widows thirds in the homestead at a Stone in the ground in the range of Simeon Knowles aforesaid his other Land thence westerly in the Said Simeon Knowles his range to a Stone in the ditch being the Said Simeon Knowles's northwest corner bound of his other Land thence northerly as the fence now Stands untill it comes to the Southwest corner of the Meadow pasture field thence easterly as the fence now Stands untill it comes to the westerly bound of Said widows thirds from thence Southerly to the first bound and one quarter of an acre of the westerly end of the Hay feild at the Shore and one peice of woodland lying near Widow Lydia Doanes begining at a Stone in the ground at a point of land between the ways near the Said Widow Lydia Doanes dwelling House thence Southerly by the main country road to a black oak tree marked by Said way thence easterly on a Strait line to a pine tree marked by the Norset road thence northwesterly the Said road to the first bound and a lot of meadow lying on the great flat So called adjoining Edmunds Creek So Called referring to the book of records for the bounds & limits thereof."

"to the Heirs of Joshua Knowles another son of said deceasd one quarter part of said Estate being the meadow Pasture feild enclosed as the fence now Stands and two thirds of the Barn."

"to the Heirs of Jesse Knowles one other Son of Said deceased one quarter part of Said Estate bounded begining at a stone in the Ground in a Canal at the westerly end of the land now owned by the said Simeon Knowles near two pair trees thence westerly by the ridge the northerly side of the Swamp untill it comes to a branch of the Swamp that extends northerly at a Stone in the ground from thence on a Strait line untill it Comes to a Stone in the Ground in the fence where the Said fence is also marked being the most westerly part of Said Land thence Southeasterly as the fence now Stands untill it comes to the land now owned by Joseph Knowles thence northerly in the Said Joseph Knowles his range untill it comes to Simeon Knowles

his Land then in the said Simeon Knowles his range to the first bound and one acre and half an acre of the hay feild at the Shore bounded begining at Simeon Knowles his bound on each side of Said feild thence easterly to a Stone in the Ground on each side taking in three quarters of Said feild and three quarters of the fence belonging to the same and a peice of woodland lying near the said Widow Lydia Doanes bounded begining at a black oak tree marked being the Southwest bound of the land set to Simeon Knowles by the way thence Southerly by said way to a pine tree marked being the northwest bound of the land sett to the Widow Phebe Knowles thence easterly on a Strait line to another pine tree marked by said Norset road being the northeast bound of the said Widows Land thence northerly by said Norset road to another pine tree marked being the Southeasterly bound of the land Sett to Simeon Knowles thence westerly on a Strait line to a black oak tree marked which is the first bound."

"to the Heirs of Josiah Knowles one other son of said deceased one other quarter bounded begining at the southeast corner bound of the Land now owned by David Knowles thence westerly in the said David Knowles his range through the Swamp to the southwest corner of the said David Knowles his land thence Southeasterly as the fence now stands untill it comes to a Stone in the Ground where the fence is marked being the northwesterly bound of the land sett to the Heirs of Jesse Knowles thence easterly in the range of the land and Swamp set to the heirs of the said Jesse Knowles untill it comes to the land now owned by the said Simeon Knowles to a stone in a Canal thence northerly as the fence now stands to the first bound taking in all the land & Swamp within Said boundaries except on acre of Swamp on the Northwesterly part set to the said Widow Phebe Knowles and one quarter of an acre on the easterly End of the Hay feild at the Shore and liberty is allowed by each one of Said Heirs unto each other to pass & repass over each others land as there may be occasion."

JOHN PAINE'S WILL

By the Editor

John Paine[4], son of Thomas Paine of Eastham, Mass., and his wife Mary Snow[3] (*Constance*[2] *Hopkins, Stephen*[1]), was born on Thursday, 14 March, 1660/1, and was married, first, on Thursday, 14 March, 1688/9, to Bennet Freeman[4], who was a daughter of Major John Freeman, of Eastham, and his wife Mercy Prence[3] (*Patience*[2] *Brewster, William*[1]).

The foregoing dates are obtained from Deacon John Paine's Journal, printed in our eighth and ninth volumes, in which we find also the following statement in regard to his first wife's death: "on the thirteenth day of may anno dommini 1716 My dearly beloved wife Bennet departed this life being five and fourty years two months and twenty days old . . . . and Shee had been the mother of thirteenth children . . . . all born alive Save one".

Bennet (Freeman) Paine's gravestone, in the old cemetery at Eastham, gives the date of her death as 30 May, 1716; and the diary of Moses Paine (her husband's nephew), as quoted by Josiah Paine of Harwich, Mass., in "Paine Family Records", Volume II, page 55*, records that on 13 May, 1716, "being Lord's Day I went to meeting", and under date of 30 May, 1716, "my Uncle John Paine's wife died, and that very suddenly."

As a study of the calendar shows that 13 May, 1716, was Sunday, verifying Moses Paine's first statement, and his second statement agrees with the record on the gravestone, it is probable that the date of Bennet Paine's death in her husband's journal should read "thirtieth" instead of "thirteenth".

John Paine[4] married, second, on 3 March, 1719/20, Alice Mayo[5], daughter of Nathaniel Mayo[4] (*Hannah Prence*[3], *Patience*[2] *Brewster, William*[1]), who was born at Eastham, 29 April, 1686†, and died 12 October, 1748, in her 63d year, according to her gravestone at Orleans, Mass., formerly a part of Eastham.

Alice Mayo[5] was a great-granddaughter of Governor Thomas and Patience[2] (Brewster) Prence, but was not a great-granddaughter of Governor Thomas Hinckley, as stated in "Paine Family Records", Volume II, page 55.

* New York, N. Y., July, 1881.

† Mayflower Descendant, 4: 32.

John and Bennet (Freeman) Paine had thirteen children, but only eight of them survived their father and are mentioned in his will. These eight were: John, Mary, William, Sarah, Elizabeth, Theophilus, Rebecca, Mercy.

John and Alice (Mayo) Paine had five children, of whom three, Thomas, Alice and Hannah, survived their father and are mentioned in his will.

The two marriages of John Paine[4], the births of his eighteen children, and the deaths of the seven who died before their father, will be found in our eighth, ninth and fifteenth volumes.

The original town records of Eastham* give the date of John Paine's death as 18 October, 1731, but do not give his age. His gravestone at Orleans, formerly a part of Eastham, gives the date of his death as 26 October, 1731, and his age as 70 years, 7 months, 12 days.

We here print exhaustive abstracts of John Paine's will and all other records relating to the settlement of his estate, found in the Barnstable County, Mass., Probate Registry. No original papers relating to the estate remain in the files.

This article is printed at the expense of Mr. Percival Hall Lombard, of Brookline, Mass., who is a member of the Massachusetts Society of Mayflower Descendants, and is descended from John and Bennet (Freeman) Paine, through their daughter Sarah Paine[5], who married Joshua Knowles of Eastham, Mass.

[John Paine's Will]

[Barnstable Co. Prob., 5 : 13] "John Paine of Eastham . . . . Yeoman" made his will on 14 July, 1731. Bequests were as follows:

To "Wife Alice Pain one Third part of my personal Estate & Goods & Chattles . . . . in part of which She Shall have Liberty (if She See Cause) to Take y^e^ best bed & furniture belonging to y^e^ house & also y^e^ bed w^ch^ She brought with her which was hers before Marriage & y^e^ new Chest of Drawers These She may have at y^e^ price they Shall be Valued", also "the one half of my grain both Indian and English w^ch^ Shall be Growing on my Land or by me in any of my houseing or barn at my decease with the one half of my flax as also one Silver Spoon and four pounds in bills of Credit then Currant the Sd Spoon Is Mark'd I^P^A, Two Last I give to my Sd wife in

* Mayflower Descendant, 15 : 143.

Especial Consideration for Extraordinary Care & Trouble in tending me in my Long Illness, further I give my Sd Wife one Stone Jugg or Pitcher markd G R", also "one Cow w^{ch} is now over at Pochey Island afatting with one of my Large Swine now at y^{e} door and one pig with all the Molasses butter or Cheese which I shall have by me at my decease", also "The Eastern End of my dwelling house wherein I now Live from the floor to the Roof with the one half of the Leanto Chimney & half y^{e} benefit of the oven w^{ch} is in y^{e} Western End of my house half the porch before the Door with half y^{e} priveledge of the barn and the ware house Standing Southward of my dwelling house as also one half of my Cellar Together with one Third part of all my upland and meadowing divided or undivided whether plain or wood Land In part of which she may and I do hereby Give her Liberty to take half y^{e} orchard as it is now Inclosed all Containd in this Paragraph from the word Together to be posses'd Enjoy'd & Improv'd by her Dureing the Term of her natural Life also I give to my Sd wife the free Use &c of my Large Iron Kettle to be Improv'd by her for her benefitt as Long as She Continues To be my Widow as also the free Use and Improvement of the Crane Trammel One pair of pothooks and the Use of the Iron Dogg & Smal & Irons dureing Sd term also I give To my Sd Wife The Iron Pott & Kettle w^{ch} She brought with her and were hers before marriage To have and To hold for Ever Item onely allowing to my two Daughters Rebecca & Mercy Pain Liberty (if they or Either of them See Cause) as Long as they Live unmarried to dwell in y^{e} Easterly End of Sd house"

To "my Son Thomas Pain The half of my Dwelling house barn Shop or ware house Leanto Porch and Cellar as above described wth y^{e} one half of my orchard as it is now Enclosed . . . . after the Decease of my wife Alice Pain above-named"

"To my four Sons John Pain William Pain Theophilus Pain & Thomas Pain all my upland Swamp & Meadowing whether Divided or undivided . . . . Two Thirds thereof at my decease and The other Third at the decease of my Wife Alice Pain above named To be Equally Divided"

"To my two Sons Theophilus Pain & Thomas Pain Each of Them one bed bolsters & Pillows as near in Value as may be to that which I Gave to my Son William Pain"

To "my Sd Son Thomas Pain my Musquet and one Silver Spoon mark'd T^{P}M"

To "my wife abovenamed The free and full use of all the Tillable land & the Meadow which shall fall To my Son Thomas in y^e^ divission thereof until my Sd Son arrive to Eighteen Years old"

To "my four maiden Daughters Viz^t^ Rebeckah Pain, Mercy Pain Alice [Pain*] and Hannah Pain So much out of my personal Estate Goods & Chattells as will make them Equal for quantity & quality as near as may be To what I have Given to my three daughters Married Viz^t^ Mary Freeman Sarah Knowles & Elizabeth Snow"

To "my two Daughters Alice and Hannah Pain my Large Silver Cup & each of them one Silver Spoon"

To "my . . . . wife one third part of my Mare which is a black mare with a white Starr in her forehead"

To "my Son John Pain my Cane and one of my Iron Chains"

"To my four Sons John Pain William Pain Theophilus Pain & Thomas Pain all my wearing apparrell to be divided Equally among them after my decease"

"The remaining part (if any there be) of my personal Estate Goods & Chattels I Give . . . . to my Seven daughters Viz Mary Freeman Sarah Knowles Elizabeth Snow, Rebeckah Pain, Mercy Pain, Alice & Hannah Pain to be Equally divided to them or to their Legal Representatives"

"I . . . . Appoint my Two Sons John Pain & William Pain Joint Executors"

The witnesses were Nathaniel Mayo, Samuel Higgins and Jonathan Higgins, Jr.

On 19 January, 1731,† Nathaniel Mayo and Samuel Higgins made oath to the will; and on 30 August, 1732, at Sandwich, Mass., it was probated, and administration granted to John Pain and William Pain, the executors.

The inventory was taken, 29 January, 1731,‡ by Joseph Doane, Samuel Knowles and Jonathan Higgins. William Pain, executor, swore to the inventory, 23 March, 1731, Old Style, and John Pain, executor, swore to it, 20 April, 1732. "an Ivory headed Cane" was valued at £1; "Silver Cupps & Spoons" £18; "Money Due to the Estate" £102. The total of the personal estate was £190, 8s., 6d.

The real estate was: "the meadow at Rock Harbour" £40; "the meadow at y^e^ boat Meadow" £50; "the meadow at Samp-

* "Pain" was crossed out.

† This date would be 30 January, 1732, in New Style dating.

‡ 9 February, 1732, New Style.

sons Island" £20; "the meadow at the beach" £20; "the Land in the Great field at Pochey" £80; "½ a Lott of Land by Joshua Hardings" £20; "8 Lotts in Smiths purchase" £120; "⅓ of 2 Lotts in ye Seventeen Shares purchase" £25; "a Tenement Lott by Taylors" £10; "a piece of a Swamp by Saml Knowles Junr" £5; "ye Land of ye homestead on the Easterly Side of the Way" £120; "ye Land on ye Westerly Side of the Way" £120; "ye East half part of the dwelling house half ye barn & half ye old shop or Ware house" £70.

[p. 41] On 18 April, 1732, "Alice Pain of Eastham" was appointed "Guardian unto Hannah Pain a Minor Daughter of John Pain Late of Eastham . . . . Deceas'd"

[p. 47] On 18 April, 1732, "Alice Pain of Eastham" was appointed "Guardian unto Alice Pain a Minor daughter of John Pain Late of Eastham . . . . deceas'd"

PLYMOUTH COLONY WILLS AND INVENTORIES

(*Continued from page 91*)

[Inventory of Nicholas Davis]

[3: 1: 102] "An Inventory of the estate of Nicholas Davis Deceased which lyeth within the Collonie of New Plymouth and apprised by" John Finney and Thomas Huckens, but not dated.

The real estate was: "The house and land in the occupation of James Haughton and is by the Court allowed to the widdow of the said Davis" £55; "The house and land with the land and meddow bought of Caleb Lumbert" £145; "a share of land bought of Thomas Laythorpe which Thomas Lewis saith hee bargained with Nicholas Davis" £18; "a share of land bought of Peter Blossome" £18; "a share of land to be layed out att Woodses hole" £20; "a share of land bought of Goodman Hall lying att Cotuitt and a share of land att Cotuitt bought of Thomas Lewis and halfe a share of land lying att Cotuitt bought of Peter Blossom" £20.

Cattle in hands of George Dawson, Thomas Lewis, James Haughton, and "Goodman Goodspeed" were mentioned.

"Att Saconeesett", Jonathan Hatch, William Weekes, Sr., and William Weekes, Jr., were indebted to the estate.

"Mr John Walley of Boston haveing Adminnestration" from the court at Plymouth "bearing Date the 4th of July 1673, made

oath" to the inventory, "tho somthings therin are uncertaine; and of a letigious Nature", on 13 July, 1673, before "Thomas Hinckley Assistant"

[p. 103] "An addition to the Inventory . . . . p[r]sented to the Worpp[ll] Thomas Hinckley" 23 February, 1673/4: "a p[r]sell of land five acrees more or lesse lying neare to the land of the late M[r] Nathaniel Bacon; and is within Fence with a p[r]sell of land that is belonging to my selfe" £10; "a share of Woods hole necke att Saconesset, bought of John Manton" £2, 10s.; "halfe a share of the same necke bought of m[r] Thomas Hinckley" £1, 5s.

"An accoumpt of Indian Debts belonging to the estate most of them are Doubtfull Debts", due from: Webconett, Amos, Wanucksomett, Robin, Will, Teage, Nanaketa, Aggemunt, Little John, Jegwott John, Wicked Will, Attamoa, "Markes mother", Felix, "John the Indian", Conpakeesett, Canoe, Trayes, Agamuett, Wapocke, Adam, Jonas, Peter, Harry, Thomas Tinsin, Humphery Sam, "Thomas, Wills brother".

"An other addition to the Inventory . . . . p[r]sented to the Worshipfull Thomas Hinckley Esq[r] the 28[th] of February 1673" was taken by John Tompson and Samuel Allen, and presented by "John Walley Adminnestrator".

[John Dicksey's Will]

[p. 105] "The last Will . . . . of m[r] John Dicksey or a true Coppy of the orig[inal] therof, exhibited to the Court held att Plymouth" 4 June, 1674, "as it w[as] Coppyed out by m[r] Freegrace Bendall Recorder to the Court att Boston as followeth"

"John Dicksey of Swansey in the Collonie of Plymouth . . . . Marriner" made his will "this twenty fivft Day of September 1673". Bequests were as follows:

To "my two Daughters Elizabeth and Sarah each of them" £100, "to be payed in mony att the Day of theire Marriage, or att the age of twenty and one yeares; which of them shall first happen; and if . . . . either of these . . . . Die before they Come to that age; then the survivers to have that" £200.

To "my Cozen Samuell Woodberry son of my sister Mary Woodberry, all my p[r]te of my sloope Swann upon this Consideration, that hee shall pay to my Daughter Elizabeth" £5 "a yeare for . . . . ten yeares"

To "my owne Deare father and Mother" £10, "to be payed out of that" £50 "owing mee by my brother Samuell Morgan"

"I give amonst my five sisters the other forty pound owing mee from my said brother Samuell Morgan, to be equally Devided amongst them"

"I Doe give the Remainder of my estate to my Deare wife, and Doe make her .... sole executrix, and Doe .... appoint my trusty frinds Mr James Browne, my father Allin of Swansey and mr Nathaniel Paine of Rehoboth, and Richard Sharpe of Boston to be overseers"

"It is to be understood .... That if the above said Sloop shalbe lost before the above said time be expired, that then the above said yearly payment shall sease"

The witnesses were John Dinsdall, Jonathan Armitage and William Ingraham, and the first two made oath to the will, 9 August, 1673, "before John Leverett Esqr Govr, and Thomas Clarke Esqr Assistant".

The copy was attested, 9 October, 1673, by Freegrace Bendall, Recorder.

[p. 106] "Swansey .... 1673* A true .... Inventory of the .... estate of Mr John Dicksey of Swansey aforsaid marriner whoe Deceased att Boston in September last .... apprised by" John Butterworth and Gideon Allen.

The only real estate was: "the house and Ground" £250. Interesting items are: "Cash" £212, 11s., 2d.; 73½ ounces "of plate" £22, 1s.; "2 Gold Ringes" £1, 10s.; "1 Negro Mayde servant Named Malle" £24; "2 pockett watches" £1; "1 prsell of Goods sent by Samuell Woodberry" £16; "three eight prtes of the Sloope Swane" £50;

"Debts standing out wherof Many are Desparate; and out of the Collonie". The persons named were: Edmund Hall, "mr John Browne of Salem", "Thomas Michell of Rhode Iland", "Anthonye Loe", "Nathaniel Denton on longe Iland", "mr East of milfoard", "Fredericke Phillips of N Yorke", John Predon, Isaac Woodberry, Richard Cornwell, John Saffin, Samuel Morgan, William Haveland, Ephraim Booth, Nathaniel Michell, John Titus, Abijah Carpenter, John Carpenter, Thomas Dyment, "Mr James", John Knowles, "Goodman Moring", John Garland, "Isbourne Wakeman", "Daniell Sillavant", Jehu Bourne, Isaac Bedlow, Nicholas Bayard, Henry Glover, George Clear, Daniel Holmes, "Docter Templary", John Browne, "Johnathan and John Silligus", "Cornelius", "John Manors".

"Elizabeth Dicksey sole executrix" swore to the inventory, 20 May, 1674, before James Browne, Assistant.

* The day and month were not recorded.

[John Gray's Inventory]

[p. 109] The inventory "of John Gray of Yarmouth Late Deceased" was taken, 10 February, 1673, by John Thacher and John Miller. The only real estate was: "land hee bought of Willam Norkett" £6. Of cattle valued at £9, "m^r^ John Gray saith halfe of them is his"; "the Racke att Duxburrow and tackling belonging therunto" was valued at £8. Personal property "att Plymouth" is mentioned. Daniel Wing, John Gorham, Zachary Paddock, Jeremiah Jones, Edward Crowell, Jonathan Barnes, Jedediah Lumbert, "Daniell Turen Smith* seni^r^ of Boston", "Isacke Turer of Sandwich", were indebted to the estate; and claims against it were presented by, "M^r^ Thomas Clarke", "M^r^ John Walley", "M^r^ Walker of Boston", "M^r^ Elisha Hedge", "Samuell Ryder seni^r^", "Willam Norkett of Marshfeild", "M^r^ Thomas Dexter of Sandwich".

The inventory was sworn to, "this 1 of the 4^th^ 1674"†, "By Hannah Gray late wif of John Gray Deceased", before John Freeman, Assistant.

[Roger Annadown's Inventory]

[p. 110] "The Inventory . . . . of Roger Annadowne Deceased aprised by Phillip Walker and Anthony Perrey of Rehoboth the 20^th^ of November 1673"‡. The real estate was: "the houssing and homlott" £45; "13 acrees of upland and a peece of salt Marsh att the end of it" £14; "3 acrees of land lying neare shapstree" £1, 10s.; "100 pound Comonage" £8.

The estate was indebted to: "M^r^ Stephen Paine seni^r^", "Thomas Olney of Providence", "leift Peter Hunt", George Kenricke, Abraham Peren, Thomas Wilmouth, Jeremiah Wheaton, Philip Walker, Anthony Perrey.

"Debts owing to the estate" from: John Cobley, Nathaniel Dickens.

"the widdow of Roger Annadowne Did not bringe out to us . . . . the Aprissors of the estate . . . . any of the Moveables that shee brought with her att her Marriage"

"there is an Iron pott prised att 14^s^ . . . . which is since that time Challenged by Jeremiah Wheaton as Given him by his father in law Roger Annadowne"

* "Smith" was interlined, above, in the same hand.

† 1 June, 1674.

‡ So recorded, see date of oath of widow.

"there was 9 acrees & an halfe of upland and an acree of Fresh meddow prised att 8 pound which is not put into the sume; which since that time Testimony Doth shew it was Given to Ebenezer Annadowne by his father; of these p^rticulars our honered Majestrate m^r James Browne Can further enforme the honored Court"

The inventory "was exhibited to the Court held att Plymouth the 29th of October 1673* on the oath of Joannah Annadowne widdow"

[JOHN DOGED'S INVENTORY]

[John Doged's will, on original page 94, will be found on pages 37-39 of this volume of "The Mayflower Descendant".]

[p. 112] "An Inventory of the estate of John Doged of Plymouth apprised by Leift: Ephraim Morton" 26 May, 1673, "and exhibited to the Court" 4 June, 1673, "on the oath of Bathsheba Doged widdow"; "Apprised by us whose names are under written the 28th of May 1673 Ephraim Morton Andrew Ringe". No real estate was mentioned.

[INVENTORY OF JOHN MORTON, SR.]

[The will of John Morton, Sr., will be found in Volume 24, pages 135 and 136, of "The Mayflower Descendant".]

The inventory "of John Morton seni^r lately Deceased of the Towne of Middleberry† taken this 11th of october 1673 by Jonathan Dunham Gorge Vaughan and John Nelson, and exhibited to the Court of his Ma^tie held att Plymouth the 29th of October 1673 on the oath of Lettice Morton widdow". The only mention of real estate was: "a feild of Indian Corne Containing 4 acrees" £12, and "timber and bolts prepared for a barne" £2, 10s. A "p^rsell of bookes" was valued at £2.

[JOSEPH RAMSDEN'S INVENTORY]

[p. 113] The inventory of Joseph Ramsden, who married Rachel[2] Eaton (*Francis*[1]) and Mary Savory, was recorded on this page. A literal copy of the original document was printed in "The Mayflower Descendant", Volume 8, pages 19 and 20.

(*To be continued*)

* See date at beginning of inventory.

† Middleborough.

ENSIGN JOSEPH PAINE'S ESTATE

By the Editor

Joseph Paine[4], son of Thomas Paine of Eastham, Mass., by his wife Mary Snow[3] (*Constance*[2] *Hopkins, Stephen*[1]), was married, at Eastham, on 27 May, 1691, to Patience Sparrow[4] (*Hannah Prence*[3], *Patience*[2] *Brewster, William*[1]), and they had eleven children: Ebenezer, Hannah, Joseph, Richard, Dorcas, Phebe, Reliance, Thomas and Mary (twins), Jonathan, Experience. The first four were recorded at Eastham, and the entire eleven were recorded at Harwich, the adjoining town*.

Joseph Paine[4] died 1 October, 1712, according to the Eastham records, and on 23 November, 1715, his widow, Patience (Sparrow) Paine married John Jenkins, of Barnstable, by whom she had one child, Patience Jenkins, who was baptized at Barnstable, on 6 October, 1717.

Patience (Sparrow) (Paine) Jenkins survived her second husband also and died at Barnstable, 25 October, 1745, aged "above 70", according to the church records.

An inventory of the intestate estate of "Ensigne Joseph Paine of Harwich" was taken on 16 November, 1712, and his widow Patience was appointed administratrix on 27 January, 1712/13.

On 14 April, 1718, the estate was divided to the widow and ten of the eleven children. The daughter Mary (born in 1708) was not mentioned in the division and probably died before its date.

We here print exhaustive abstracts of all records relating to the settlement of the estate, found in the Barnstable County, Mass., Probate Records.

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[Ensign Joseph Paine's Estate]

[3 : 113] On 16 November, 1712, Thomas Freeman, Thomas Crosby and Chillingsworth Foster took an inventory of the estate of "Ensigne Joseph Paine of Harwich . . . . Deceased".

*The town of Orleans, which now lies between Eastham and Harwich, was set off from Eastham in 1797.

The real estate was: "his housing building and Land & meadow" £325; "a peice of woods Land" £20. The total amount was £497, 8s., 7d.

On 27 January, 1712/13, Patience Paine, widow, made oath to the inventory.

[3: 112] On 27 January, 1712/13, "Patience Paine widow Relict of Ensign Joseph Paine Late of Harwich in the County of Barnstable now Deceased" was appointed administratrix of her husband's intestate estate.

[4 :396] On 14 April, 1718, "Whereas Insign Joseph Paine Late of Harwich . . . . Some years since died Intestate And Application being now Made to me to Settle Said Estate and there being An Accompt Given of y^e^ Estate and part of the p:sonall Estate being Sett out to y^e^ widow Psuant to Law Necessary for house Keeping: The remainder [p. 397] Remainder of the p:sonal Estate was Disposed of together with a Considerable part of the Real Estate by Licence of the Superiour Court for payment of Debts: The Remainder of the Lands and Real Estate both upland Meadow and housing that is not sold is apprized by three Sufficient Freeholders upon Oath at Two hundred Twenty and Eight pounds which being Computed makes Twenty pounds fourteen Shillings & Six pence to Each Child that hath a Single Shear and to y^e^ Eldest son Ebenezer forty One pounds And Nine Shillings for his double part or Shear: Now . . . . the sd Estate is . . . . Ordered to be divided In the following Manner . . . . to Sd Ebenezer Paine the Eldest Son there is Sett out the Remainder of the Lands Not Already Sold Adjoying to the Country road which was part of the homestead w^th^ the Barn thereon Standing being both Land And barn Apprized at Ninty Two pounds, his mother having her thirds Sett Out during Life and he having Given bonds to pay the Remainder or Overplus More then his own Shear Comes to: And there is allso Sett out to and Settled upon him Sd Ebenezer Paine a peice of Meadow lying at Eastham being part of the Estate of Sd Deceased which was Apprized At Two pounds: And there is Allso Sett out to Joseph Paine another of the Sons of S^d^ Deceased and to Hanah Russel Daughter of S^d^ Deceased And Philip Russel her Husband another parcel of Land part of the Estate of S^d^ Deceased being by Estimation fifty one Acres valued At fifty One pounds w^ch^ is to be divided the One half part to S^d^ Joseph Paine and the other half to S^d^ Hannah and Phillip Russel Only Patience there Mother to have her third part as Sett out to her allready, And they having given bonds to

pay the remaining part more then their own Shears Comes too: And the remainder of the Lands of S^{d} Deceased being by Estimation One hundred and Seventy Acres lying at the Long pond And One peice of swamp by John Freemans in Harwich Apprized at Eighty three pounds, is Sett out And Settled upon Richard Paine Dorcas Paine Pheby Paine, Reliance Paine Thomas Paine Jonth Paine And Experience Paine the Rest of the Children of S^{d} Deceased to be Equally Divided between them, the Mother who was the Late widow of the Deceased Only having her Right of Dower therein as Set out to her during Life: And they to have the remainder of their Shears or portions as it Shall be paid in by S^{d} Ebenezer & Joseph Paine and Philip Russel."

LIEUTENANT EBENEZER SPROUT'S WILL

By the Editor

Ebenezer Sprout[3], of Scituate and Middleborough, Mass., son of Robert Sprout and Elizabeth[2] Samson (*Henry*[1]), was born at Scituate, in May, 1676, and was married, at Yarmouth, Mass., on 1 March, 1703/4, to Experience Hawes[4] (*Desire Gorham*[3], *Desire*[2] *Howland, John*[1]), who was born at Yarmouth, 24 September, 1686.

Their five children were: Thankful Sprout[4], who married, first, Joseph Bennett[4] (*Priscilla*[3] *Howland, Isaac*[2], *John*[1]), and, second, Seth Samson*; Abigail Sprout[4], who married Rev. John Wadsworth; Mary Sprout[4], who married, first, Thomas Holmes, and, second, Josiah Wood[4] (*Susanna*[3] *Howland, Isaac*[2], *John*[1]); Ebenezer Sprout[4]; James Sprout[4].

Lieutenant Ebenezer Sprout[3] died 28 September, 1726, in his 52d year, according to the record on his gravestone in the old cemetery at The Green, in Middleborough, Mass.

Widow Experience (Hawes) Sprout married, second, on 22 November, 1731, at Middleborough, Francis Miller[5] (*Lydia Coombs*[4], *Francis*[3], *Sarah*[2] *Priest, Degory*[1]), and survived him. She died 19 November, 1758, in her 74th year, according to the record on her gravestone in the old cemetery at The Green, in Middleborough. Francis and Experience (Hawes) (Sprout) Miller apparently had no children, as none are mentioned in his will.†

* Not a descendant of Henry Samson, the Mayflower Passenger.

† See "Francis and Experience Miller of Middleborough, Mass.," in this issue.

We here print exhaustive abstracts of Lieutenant Ebenezer Sprout's will and all other records, or documents on file, relating to the settlement of his estate, found in the Plymouth County, Mass., probate records.

This article is printed at the expense of Mrs. John Orson Barber, of Winnetka, Ill., a member of the Massachusetts Society of Mayflower Descendants, who is descended from Lieut. Ebenezer Sprout through his daughter Abigail Sprout[4], who married Rev. John Wadsworth.

[Lt. Ebenezer Sprout's Will]

[From original will] On 8 September, 1726, "Ebenezer Sprout of Middleburrough . . . . Gentleman" made his will. Bequests were as follows:

To "my Eldest Son Ebenezer Sprout my homstead that is to Say my houseing in middleburrough where I now Dwell with all my Land adjoying"

To "my Son James Sprout all my Land which I bought of Seth Howland with all my Land Lying in the South purchase in middleburrough"

"my will is that my two Sons Expressed by name Doe Enter into posses & Injoy their Lands as is above Expressed at the age of one & twenty but neither of them to make any Sale of any of their Land as above S[d] till they Each of them Come to the age of thirty years without the Consent of my Executor & Executrix"

"My will is that If Either of my Sons as above S[d] Dye without Isue that his Brother have & Enjoy all his Lands as above Expressed"

To "my Three Daughters namly Thankfull Bennet Abigall Sprout & mary Sprout Each of them Sixty pounds Thankfull to Receive hers at my Decease & Abigall & mary to Receive theirs at marrige or at the age of Eighteen years"

"I Give all the Rest of my Estate . . . . to my well Beloved wife Experience Sprout Shee to have posses & Enjoy the whole term of her naturall Life If She Remain my widdow & at her Decease or marrige to be Equally Divided amongst all my Children"

"I Doe . . . . Declare that my Sons have their Lands as above S[d] after they Come to the age of thirty years free & Clear"

"I Doe . . . . appoint my Beloved Brother James Sprout & my Loving wife Experience Sprout Sole Executors"

The will was signed by a mark, which apparently consisted of an exceedingly shaky attempt to write the name Ebenezer Sprout. The testator died less than three weeks later.

The witnesses were Jonathan Fuller, Ebenezer Richmond and "John Bennet". The three witnesses, all of Middleborough, made oath to the will, 7 November, 1726, before Isaac Winslow, Judge of Probate, and on 21 November, 1726, at Marshfield, it was probated, and administration granted to "James Sproute the Brother and Experience Sproute Relict Widdow of the sd deceased". [Also recorded, 5 : 274]

[6 : 232] On 28 September, 1732, "To M^r Francis Miller of Middleborough . . . . Whereas Ebenezer Sprout the Son of Ebenezer Sprout late of Middleborough afores^d Deceas^d who is a minor under the age of twenty one Years & above y^e age of fourteen Years hath made Choice of you to be his Guardian" the choice was approved by the probate court.

[From unrecorded bond] On 28 September, 1732, Francis Miller, yeoman, as guardian of Ebenezer, with "Joseph Bennet Jur", husbandman, as surety, both of Middleborough, gave a bond for £300. The witnesses were: Haviland Torrey and Quintin Crymble.

[6 : 233] On 28 September, 1732, "M^r Francis Miller of Middleborough" was appointed "Guardian unto James Sprout y^e Son of Ebenezer Sprout . . . . deceased who is a Minor under the age of fourteen Years"

[From unrecorded bond] On 28 September, 1732, Francis Miller, yeoman, as guardian of James, with "Joseph Bennet Jur" husbandman, as surety, gave a bond for £150. The witnesses were: Haviland Torrey and Quintin Crymble.

[7 : 135] On 21 May, 1735, "To M^r Joseph Bennett of Middleborough . . . . Yeoman Greeting—Whereas James Sprout of Middleborough afores^d who is a minor under the age of twenty one Years & above the age of fourteen Years hath made Choice of you to be his Guardian" the choice was confirmed by the probate court.

[From unrecorded bond] On 21 May, 1735, "Joseph Bennet Jur", yeoman, of Middleborough, as guardian of James Sprout, with Samuel Wood, yeoman, of Middleborough, as surety, gave a bond of £600. The witnesses were Josiah Cotton and "Jn^o Cushing Jun^r".

BARNSTABLE, MASS., VITAL RECORDS

TRANSCRIBED BY THE EDITOR

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[On pages 224 and 225, of the original, the months and days were entered in ruled columns, and frequently the month was omitted. In such cases we have supplied the month, printing it in italics and between brackets.— *Editor.*]

[p. 224] 1757 Persons Entered in Order for Marriage Isaac Hinckley Jr

Benjamin Nye jr of sandwich & Susannah Phiney March 19

Benjamin Davis & Patience Bacon
Joseph Blish jr & Sarah Crocker
Daniel Hamlen & Deliverance Childs } April 2

Elisha Holmes of Plymouth & Sarah Ewer [*April**] 8

Jonathan Childs & Thankful Howland [*April**] 23

Lemuel Nye jr of Sandwich & Rebecca Crocker [*April**] 29

Joseph Nye jr of Sandwich & Thankful Goodspeed May 28

Robert Lawrence of Sandwich & Elisabeth Lumbert June 4.

Samuel Davis & mary Gorham jr July 30

Joseph Holway of sandwich Mary Parcivall Sept 3

Joseph Crocker & Elisabeth Davis
Seth Ewer and Elisabeth Rich of Truro } [*Sept**] 10

David Childs and Hannah Davis Sept 17

James Huckins & Lydia Scudder Octo 15

George Conant & Elisabeth Crocker [*Octo**] 22

Abel Cushing of hingham & Hannah Crocker [*Octo**] 31

Benjamin Bayley of Scituate & Desire Russell Novr 2

Levi Lovell susannah Bates†

Jabez Bursley and Anna Crocker [*Novr**] 5

Thomas Hatheway & Huldah Smith [*Novr**] 19

Thomas Allen and Esther Truet of Boston [*Novr**] 26

Samuel Hinckly & Keziah Stone of Harwich
Southworth Samson & Jedidah Pain } Decr 19

William Haskell & Hannah Butler . [*Decr**] 24

Jonathan Pitcher & Ruth Bearse
James Blossom & Bethiah Smith } [*Decr**] 31

Joseph Blossom & mercy Ellis of Harwich Jan: 7 1758‡

Joseph Childs & Meribah Dexter of Rochester Febr 11

Lemuel Keen & mehetable Tobey [*Febr**] 18

* See introductory note.

† No date entered.

‡ "1758" was written above "Jan:"

Ebenezer Jenkins & Elisabeth Clark Harwich† [*Febr**] 18
Gershom Davis & Thankfull Skiff of sandwich } march 25
Barzilla Weeks & Sarah Hamlen }
Samuel Gilbert of Connecticut & Thankful Fuller; of this Town April 1
Thomas Allen and mary Hawes of Sandwich [*April**] 15
Caleb Perry of sandwich & Thankful Blish } [*April**] 22
Lot Thatcher & Martha Tayler }
Thomas Churchell of Plymoth & Mary Ewer May 6
Joseph Tobey & Hannah Job Sept 23
Isaac Ham & Elisabeth Amos [*Sept**] 30
[p. 225] James Crocker & Abigail Sturges Octo 17: 1758
Nathanael Hinckly & Elisabeth Chipman [*Octo**] 14 . 1758
Ebenezer Scudder and Rose delap Nov: 11 . 1758
Ebenezer Bacor & Elisabeth Crocker Dec^{r} 3: 1758
Micah Negro man Ser^{t} to Seth Blossom Bathsheba Towardy Feb 10: 1759
Daniel Carpenter & Temperance Crocker 17 of februry 1759
Ebenezer Foster & Miriam Egerton 24 febru^{y} 1759
Thomas Goodspeed & Puelia Lovell march 7 . 1759
Josiah Davis and thankful Gorham march 24 . 1759
Ebenezer Fish of Falmoth & Elisabeth Handy march 31: 1759
Seth Fuller and Deliverance Jones . April 21: 1759
Mr Gideon Hawley of marshpee & Lucy Fessenden of Sandwich May 18th 1759
Ebenezer Nye and Melatiah Sturges June 16 1759
Barnabas Downes & Mary Cobb July 14 . 1759
Joseph Crocker & Relief Lovell Aug: 25: 1759
Timothy Davis of Falmoth & Tabitha Crocker Oct: 6: 1759
Elisha Kent of Goodfield & Annah Hallet Octo: 13: 1759
Joseph Lawrence of Sandwich & Thankful Childs oct 27 . 1759
Benjamin Crocker & Anna Handy of Sandwich Nov^{r} 24: 1759
Ephraim Berry and Mercy Baker Dec 1: 1759
Samuel Sturges 3^{d} & Lidia Crocker j^{r} Febr^{y} 16: 1760
Thomas Chipman & Bethiah Fuller of Colchester Feb: 23^{d} 1760
Edward Adams & Rebecca Crocker march 1^{t} 1760
George Lewis Ju^{r} & Mary Davis j^{r} march 8 . 1760
Jabez Claghorn & Eunice Davis march 15 1760.
Nathanael Allen & Deborah Linnell march 15 1760
Samuel Winslow of Hardwick & Martha Goodspeed marh 18 . 1760
Benjamin Lumbert & Mercy Bacon March 22 . 1760
Andrew Garrett and Lucy Davis march 22 1760
Samuel Crocker and Anna Lumbert April 5 1760
Joseph Hallet & Thankful Baxter of Yarmoth April 12: 1760
Lazarus Lovell & Mercy Ewer April 19 . 1760

* See introductory note.

† Of Harwich.

John Crocker 4th and Thankful Hallet June 7: 1760
William Baker of Harwich & Sarah Cummins June 21: 1760
Prince Lothrop & Martha Bassett June 21: 1760
Silas Lovell and Charity Fuller July: 19: 1760
Elijah Blish & Sarah Stewart July 26 1760
Dublin Negro & Thankful Will Aug: 30: 1760
Luke Butler of Nantucket & Remember Blatchford Sept 18 1760
Benjamin Hamlen & Jerusha Hamlen Sept 27 1760
Job Hamlen & Abigail Gifford of Sandwich Sept 27 1760
[p. 226] Nathan Foster and Mary his wife their Children
Abigail Foster Born September 24 . 1756
John Bursley Foster Born June: 11th 1758
Mary Foster Born octr 4: 1765
by His Second wife Mercy
James Foster born Feby ye 8th 1767
Mercy Foster born march: 7th 1768
Thomas Foster Born march 4th 1771
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The Children of Lemuel Fuller & his wife
Their Son Joseph fuller Born January 30th 1761
Their Son Benjamin Born Septr 18th 1763
Their Son Samuel Born november 27th 1765
Joseph Cobb & Desire his wife Their Children Born
Daughter Thankful Born Novr 14: 1757
Daugt Remember Mercy Born Jany 13 . 1760
their Son Joseph Born August 18th 1762
Otis Loring & Sarah his wife their Children
Son david Born may 1t 1756
Son George Born march 23: 1758
Sarah Loring Born may 29: 1762
By His Second wife Sarah
their Son Eliphelet born march 13th 1767
their Son otis born February 18th 1769
their Daughter Mehitable Born June 27th 1771
Ebenezer Cobb and Lydia his wife their Children Born viz
Son James Born January 12 . 1756
Son Ebenezer Born March 17 . 1759.
[p. 227] Joseph Otis Esqr & Rebekah his wife
Their Daughter Rebekah Otis Born Aug: 25 1754
Their Son James Otis Born Sep 20 1755
Their Daughter Elisabeth Born Januy 12 . 1760
Joseph Born 1762 . Died in infancy
A Daughter " " "
By his second wife Mariah Walter
Joseph Born Sept 1771.

* On this page "(257)", now numbered 264, six more children of Nathan and Mary Foster were recorded.

Nathaniel Walter Jan^{y} 1773 . Died in N. Orleans 1841
John Ap^{l} 1774
Thomas Nov^{r} 1775 Died Ag^{t} 14 1803
Charles July 1777 " Ag^{t} 14 1794
A Son Feb^{y} 1779 " Same day
William Feb^{y} 1783 " Ap^{l} 7 1837.
Arthur Dec^{r} 1784 " July 24 1801
Mariah 1788
Mary A Mar 7 1780
George Conneat* & Susannah his Wife
y^{r} Son George Conneat* born July 22 1756
George Conant & Elisabeth his third wife
their Son Crocker Born June 23: 1759.
Said wife Elisabeth Died: Sept^{r} 17: 1759.
James Childs Ju^{r} & Mary his Wife
their Daughter Elizabeth Born May 6 1756
The Children of Nathaniel Baker born as followeth
Isaac April 2 1734
Mercy May 6 1738
Binney Octo^{r} 2 1751
anna Jan^{ry} 18 1754
[p. 228] Married: Joshua Ralph & Martha Will March 5th† 1756
Ephraim Peter & Margaret Pognut† may 9 1756
Jonathan Bacon & Sarah Davis May 13th 1756†
Sam^{ll} Jones and Ann Jones of Sandwich Married March 3 1757 ℔
David Crocker Justice of y^{e} peace
Married by y^{e} Revrd M^{r} Jonathan Russel
M^{r} Samuel Sturgis Ju^{r} & M^{rs} Abigail Carpenter Ju^{r} Jan^{ry} 24 . 1757
David Crocker Esq^{r} & M^{rs} Mary Stuart 27 Jan^{ry} 1757
Ichabud Nye & Remember Backus march: 1757
Benjamin Nye & Susannah Phiney April . 7 . 1757
Jonathan Childs & Thankful Howland may 19 1757
Isaac Phiney & Desire Steward May 16 . 1757
Joseph Blish j^{r} & Sarah Crocker [‡] 19th 1757
Lemuel Nye & Rebecca Crocker octo 25 1757
John Goodspeed j^{r} & Mercy Bursley may 29 . 1757
Daniel Hamlen & Deliverance Childs Nov^{r} 3 . 1757
Robert Lawrence & Elisabeth Lumber Nov: 17 . 1757
Jabez Bursley & Anna Crocker Dec^{r} 15 . 1757
Thomas Hatheway & Huldah Smith . Dece^{r} 18 . 1757
James Blossom & Bethiah Smith Janu^{y} 19 . 1758

* Conant. "gorge Conant Susanea Crocker", intention of marriage 5 January, 1755 [page 238 of original]; children of "George Conant" (by two wives) including George born 1756, were recorded on page 239 of original.

† See duplicate entry, on original page 232.

‡ The month was not entered.

Abel Cushing & Hannah Crocker Janu 19 . 1758
Levi Lovell & Susannah Bates Jan . 26 . 1758
Isaac Hinckly Jr Town Clerk Transmitted to the County Clerk
William Haskell & Hannah Butler march: 20: 1758
Sam[ll] Gilbert of Conneticut & Thakful Fuller . April 23: 1758
Caleb Perry of Sandwich & Thankful Blish Octo[r] 22: 1758
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Ebenezer Nye & Melatiah Sturges July 8 . 1759
Isaac Hinckly Jr Tow Cl Transmitted to the County Clerk

(*To be continued*)

THE WILL OF WILLIAM SHERMAN[3]

By the Editor

William Sherman[3], son of William Sherman, of Marshfield, by his wife Desire[2] Doty* (*Edward*[1]), was born 19 August, 1672, and was married there, on 3 February, 1697, to Mercy[3] White (*Peregrine*[2], *William*[1]).

William and Mercy White had four children recorded at Marshfield:

Thankful Sherman[4], born 10 April, 1699, married John Polden, and left issue.

Sarah Sherman[4], born 8 May, 1701, married Adam Hall, and left issue.

Mary Sherman[4] (twin), born 1 June, 1711.

Abigail Sherman[4] (twin), born 1 June, 1711.

The twins, Mary and Abigail, were living, and unmarried, in January, 1782.

Mercy[3] (White) Sherman died 12 June, 1739, aged 69, and William Sherman[3] died 26 February, 1739, aged 67, according to the records on their gravestones at Marshfield. The date on

* Desire[2] Doty married, first, William Sherman; second, Israel Holmes; third Alexander[2] Standish (*Myles*[1]). She was the second wife of Alexander[2] Standish

William's stone must be in old style, and should be read 26 February, 1739/40, as his will was not made until 30 November, 1739, five months after his wife's death.

We here print exhaustive abstracts of William Sherman's will and all records relating to the settlement of his estate, found in the Plymouth County, Mass., Probate Records and Files.

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[William Sherman's Will]

[From original will] "William Sherman of Marshfield . . . . Yeoman" made his will, 30 November, 1739. Bequests were as follows:

To "my two grand Children y^e^ Children of my daughter Thankful Polden deceased" £25 "apiece viz: to my grandson John Polden to be paid when he Cometh to y^e^ age of one & twenty year, and to my grand daughter Mary Polden when she Cometh to the age of Eighteen years"

To "my son in law Adam Hall and to my daughter Sarah Hall his wife y^e^ one half of all my Real Estate . . . . provided . . . . that they my sd son in law and daughter . . . . shall . . . . pay all my Just debts & funeral Charges . . . . and also . . . . pay y^e^ Legacies above given to my two grand Children when they Come to y^e^ age above Expressed"

To "my daughter Mary Sherman and to my daughter Abigail Sherman all y^e^ other half of my Real Estate to them Equally between them two" also "all my moveable Estate that shall be left at my decease Equally to be divided between them two"

"I do . . . . appoint my son in law Adam Hall and my daughter Mary Sherman Joint Executors"

The will was signed by a mark.

The witnesses were "Samuell Sharman", "garshom Sherman" and Arthur Howland, all of whom made oath to the will, on 7 April, 1740, before John Cushing, Judge of Probate. [Also recorded, 8: 172]

[From original letter] The will of William Sherman of Marshfield was probated, at Scituate, 7 April, 1740, and administration granted to "Adam Hall marriner & Mary Shearman Spinster", the executors named. [Also recorded, 8: 174]

[8: 355] An "Inventory of all the Estate both Real & Personall" was taken 17 April, 1740, by Thomas Macomber, Nathaniel Phillips and Arthur Howland. "his Real Estate", appraised at £960, was not described. "a Right in a pew and a Stable" was appraised at £1, 5s. The total of the inventory was £1164, 7s. Adam Hall and Mary Sherman, executors, made oath to it, 1 June, 1741.

PLYMOUTH COLONY RECORDS OF DEEDS

ABSTRACTS OF THE RECORDS IN VOLUME III

(*Continued from page 66*)

[Each abstract includes all names of persons and places mentioned in the deed, and the names of the witnesses. The complete description of the land conveyed will not be printed unless the deed is very short, or of especial interest. When a complete description is printed, the fact will be noted.]

[John Peck to Joseph Carpenter*]

[3: 6] 1664 Prence Govr:

"John Pecke of Rehoboth . . . . planter . . . . for a good and valluable Consideration" sold to "Josepth Carpenter of Rehoboth . . . . a Tract of upland being seaven acrees and three quarters more or lesse . . . . upon the hundred acree Mile Run: being bounded to the west the land of mr Winchesters Children to the east the aforsaid Run to the north and south swampes"

"Elizabeth Pecke the wife of John Pecke aforsaid gave up her Right of the above mencioned prmises"

The deed was dated 15 April, 1663, and witnessed by William Carpenter and Samuel Carpenter. It was acknowledged, 21 April, 1663, before Thomas Willett.

[Millard—Cogging—Turner*]

"This prsent writing bearing Date" 5 October, 1661, "between Joane Millerd the wife of Obadiah Millard of Springfeild within the Govrment of Boston of the one ptie and Bathsheba Cogging of Springfeild aforsaid single woman of the same ptie; and John Turner of Taunton within the Govrment of New Plymouth of the other ptie witnesseth; that wheras Thomas Cogging

* Complete description here printed.

once of Taunton aforsaid Deceased the former husband of the above name Joane Millard Dieing Intestate and leaveing behind him foure Daughters; To whom the land and estate of which hee Died seized was to belonge; and wheras the eldest Daughter named Bathsheba abovenamed being sickly and weake and standeth in need of Releife hath Desired the said Joane Millard her mother; to sell soe much of the said lands and state as cometh to her pte; and .... gave unto her said mother authoritie soe to Doe .... as in the writing Dated June 22cond Annº 1661 .... and wheras a petition by the said Joane Millard .... preferred to the Court .... for lycence to make sale of a portion of the said land .... The said Court .... hath given libertie to the said Joane Millard to sell one quarter pte of the said land and state for the Relife of the said Bathsheba Cogging; Now the said Joane Millard", for £16, "ptely in the behalfe and to the use of the said Bathsheba", sold to "John Turner aforsaid a Certaine pcell of land .... in Taunton aforsaid; bounded by the head of the lands of the great Lotts att the east side of the said Township; alsoe by the ancient highway leading to the bay on the north side therof; and on the two mile River on the east and south east Containeing by estimation six acrees .... and it extends to the streame below the wast at the forge house"

The deed was signed by a mark, and witnessed by George Hall and Hezekiah Hoare.

[p. 7] 1664 Prence Govr:

[The first deed on this page, Bridget and Samuel Fuller to Plymouth Church, we printed in full on page 55 of this volume.]

[Henry and Samuel Allin to George Allin*]

"wee Henery and Samuell Allin of Boston in New England .... Joynt heires of a peece of land .... in the bounds of Sandwich of Plymouth Pattent in New England with certaine meddow ground therunto adjoyning and appertaining; which was the proper posession of our father Gorge Allin Deceased; and by him given to us; wee .... with the Consent of our mother; to say now Katheren Collins whoe hath Interest therin During her life; have", for £20, "to bee payed according to a bill by us in hand Received" sold "unto Gorge Alline of Sandwich aforsaid; all that our land upland and meddow; with all the wood underwood timber fruites effects proffitts emunities appurtenances and

* Complete description here printed.

heridetiments . . . . as it now lyeth bounded being in the neckemusett necke; bounded on the south and west side by the River called spring hill river; on the north by shal[*] harbour bordering to the sea on the east side by the land of Richard Chadwell"

The deed was dated 10 July, 1656, and signed by Henry Allin and Samuel Allin (by a mark). The witnesses were John Collins and John Sanford.

[Lands of Abraham Blush†]

"A writing . . . . which containes the pticulares of the lands of Abraham Blush of Barnstable as it is transcribed out of theire towne booke by m^r^ Thomas Hinckley as followeth

"viz: a farme of lands . . . . att the westerly side of the towne of Barnstab[le] neare the place comonly called the bridg Creeke Recorded in the towne booke there in sundry pcel[ls] but cast together lyeth as followeth eight acrees of upland . . . . buting southerly to Polinpode swamp & pond bounded easterly by the lands of Anthonie Annible westerly by a brooke Issuing out of the said swamp and pond; and northerly by the old cart way; and from the said way six acrees . . . . buting northerly to Anthony Annibles; bounded easterly by Anthony Annibles land; from a marked tree att the uper end to a brooke; att the lower end; and westerly ptely by a Rundelett Runing by the great swamp with a Corner of the said swamp and soe to a marked tree; and ptely by the marsh comonly called the Cove with a point or necke of upland adjoyning therunto containing eight acrees . . . . streching westerly to the mersh neare the bridge creeke; bounded with the mersh att each side one the high way Runing through it;

"Alsoe three acrees of mersh . . . . adjoyning to the west side of the aforsaid upland bounded by a Creeke that Runes up to the Rundelett aforsaid and northerly to a little Rundelett that Issueth out of the aforsaid necke or point of upland; with eight acrees of marsh more; neare adjoyning in the Cove bounded easterly and southerly by goodman Burmans westerly by the bridge creeke and northerly ptely by the aforsaid necke of upland and ptely by six acrees of marsh more of his . . . . extending easterly on the north side of the said necke to a Rocke att the upland side which is the easterly bounds therof; adjoyneing to goodman Annibles and westerly by the bridg[e] creeke; with three acrees of mersh . . . . adjoyning to the north side of the

* Illegible.

† Complete description here printed.

aforsa[id] six acrees begining att a stake att the northeast end of a smale Creeke Runing thence upon a northerly line to the bridge Creeke; and is bounded westerly by the said bridg Creeke home to his aforsaid six acrees; alsoe eight acrees of upland .... bounded northerly by the marsh; southerly by [the] pond comonly called Annibles pond; easterly by m^r^ Dimackes; westerly by goodman Annibles; onely his highway Runeth Crosse it;"

[JOHN ALLIN, SR., TO JAMES BROWNE*]

[p. 8] 1664 Prence Gov^r^:

"John Allin of Rehoboth .... planter sendeth greeting .... I the aforsaid John Allin seni^r^ have for a good and valluable consideration" sold to "James Browne of Rehoboth aforsaid .... a Certaine pcell of upland Containinge forty acrees more or lesse being that whole pcell of land that I had upon the necke of the Towne of Rehoboth; for the Clearing of the aforsaid Towne of theire engagement about their Fence; which aforsaid tract of land lying and being in Wachamokett neck; being bounded to the east with the land of Nathaniel and Israell Pecke; to the west with the land of the said James Browne which was purchased of Thomas Chaffey; To the North with the Townes land to the south with a great swampe where the old Fence standeth;"

The deed was dated 27 February, 1663, and witnessed by Thomas Estabrooke and Thomas Willett, Jr.

[JAMES BROWNE TO JOHN ALLIN, SR.*]

"James Browne of Rehoboth .... planter .... for a good and valluable consideration" sold to "John Allin seni^r^ of Rehoboth aforsaid planter .... A Certaine tract of land being twenty acrees more or lesse Comonly knowne by the name of M^r^ Prences home lott the aforsaid Tract of land; I the said James Browne have sold with the free and full Conset of my mother Mistris Dorithy Browne; being bounded to the north with M^r^ Stephen Paine seni^r^; To the south with the land of Samuell Newman to the East with the highway .... it is to bee understood that the Fence being against the land abovemencioned is to made and maintained by James Browne"

The deed was dated 27 February, 1663, and was witnessed by Thomas Estabrooke and Thomas Willett, Jr.

(*To be continued*)

* Complete description here printed.

PLYMOUTH, MASS., VITAL RECORDS

(*Continued from page 54*)

[p. 115] 1756 In order for Marriages.

July 17 A Purpose of Marriage Between Thomas Robinson, and Ruth Hatch Both of Plymouth

31 A Purpose of Marriage Between Snow Keen of Pembrook And Rebeckah Burbanks of Plymouth Spoke for ℔ Joseph Trask

Augst 13 A Purpose of Marriage Between Peleg Faunce, & Mary Faunce Both of Plymouth, Spoke for ℔ Nath^{ll} Holmes

14 A Purpose of Marriage, Between M^{r} Lazarus Le-Barron Jun^{r}; and m^{rs} Mary Lothrop, both of Plymouth

21 A Purpose of Marriage, Between Samuel Soule of Duxboro, & Mehetabel White of Plymouth

28 A Purpose of Marriage, Between, M^{r} William Watson of Plymouth; & m^{rs} Elizabeth Maston of Salem

Oct^{r} 2 A Purpose of Marriage Between Josiah Waterman And Fear Tinkcom Both of Plymouth

2 A Purpose of Marriage Between M^{r} John Wethrell, and M^{rs} Sarah Crandon Both of Plymouth,

2 A Purpose of Marriage, Between Isaac Churchell of Boston, and Sarah Cobb of Plymouth

Nov^{r} 6 A Purpose of Marriage Between Ebenezer Fuller of Plymouth And Lowis Rider of Middleborough

6 A Purpose of Marriage Between John Mackeel, And Susannah Samson, Both of Plymouth

11 A Purpose of Marriage Between Lemuell Swift of Plymouth, and Rebecca Whitfield of Rochester

27 A Purpose of Marriage Between, Eleazer Rogers, and Bethiah Savery, Both of Plymouth

A Purpose of Marriage, Between Branch Blackmer, And Sarah Waite Both of Plymouth

A Purpose of Marriage, Between Ebenezer Rider, And Sarah Rider Both of Plymouth

A Purpose of Marriage Between, Obediah Osbern, of Rhode Island, And Jerusha Kempton of Plymouth

Dec^{r} 11 A Purpose of Marriage Between Levi Drew of Plym^{o} And Mary Milk of Boston

18 A Purpose of Marriage Between John French of Hampton, In the Government of Newhampshear, and Rhoda Peck of Plymouth

1757 Jan^{ry} 11 A Purpose of Marriage Between John Humphrys (Late of Boston) Negro man now of Plymouth & Beck Wicket of Plym^{o}

15 A purpose of Marriage, Between Ezra Stetson of Rochester, & Sarah Rider of Plymouth Spoke for by Ebenez^{r} Cobb Jun^{r}

[p. 116] 1757 In order for Marriage
Febry 5 A Purpose of Marriage, Between Mr Ichabod Shaw & mrs Priscilla Atwood, both of Plymouth
19 A Purpose of Marriage Between John Patee & Margaret Finney Both of Plymouth Spoke for ☞ Seth Morton
26 A Purpose of Marriage Between John Finney Junr & Rebeckah Holmes, Both of Plymouth,
Mar: 25 A Purpose of Marriage, Between Nathaniel Thomas & Margaret Newcom, Both of Plymouth
April 2 A Purpose of Marriage Between James Harlow, & Jerusha Holmes Both of Plymouth
9 A Purpose of Marriage, Between, Mr Thomas Foster Junr of Marshfield; and Mrs Mary Foster of Plymouth.
9 A Purpose of Marriage Between Elisha Holmes Junr of Plymo, & Sarah Ewer, of Barnstable
May 21 A Purpose of Marriage, Between, Isaac Rider of Middleboro, and Bridget Nash of Plymouth
July 9 A Purpose of Marriage, Between, Mr John Russell, & Mrs Marcy Foster, Both of Plymouth
16 A Purpose of Marriage, between Mr John Dyer & mrs Mary Barnes, both of Plymouth
23 A Purpose of Marriage, Between Between Benjamin Smith, & Sarah Doten (Daughter of Samuel Doten Deceasd) Both of Plymouth
August 6 A Purpose of Marriage, Between Solomon Silvester, & Hannah Churchel Both of Plymouth
20 A Purpose of Marriage, Between John Goddard, & Mary Polden, Both of Plymouth.
27 A Purpose of Marriage Between, Mr Benjamin Goodwin, of Boston, & Mrs Hannah Le-Barron, of Plymo
Septr 10 A Purpose of Marriage, Between Joshua Battles, & Experience Cornish, Both of Plymouth,
Octb 1 A purpose of Marriage, Between Thomas Mitchell of Bridgwater; And Keziah Swift of Plymouth
1 A purpose of Marriage, Between, George Codding of Taunton, And Mary Faunce of Plymouth
22nd A purpose of Marriage, Between James Reynolds, of North-Kingston, In ye Collony of Road Island &c: and Elizabeth Donham of Plymouth
[p. 117] In order for Marriage
1757 Novb 5 A purpose of Marriage, Between, Capt Josiah Sturtevant, Junr of Hallifax & Mrs Lois Foster of Plymouth
5 A Purpose of Marriage, Between Ichabod Waterman of Plymouth, And Hannah Rogers of Kingston
26 A Purpose of Marriage, Between Eseck (Negroman Servant To George Watson Esqr) & Rose (Negro Woman Servant To Wm Clark) Both of Plymouth

26 A Purpose of Marriage Between Benjamin Bagnall & Sarah Totman Both of Plymouth
26 A Purpose of Marriage, Between George Glover, & Mary Fisher Both, of Plymouth,
Dec^{r} 3 A Purpose of Marriage Between John Rider & Priscillah Churchill Both of Plymouth
10 A Purpose of Marriage Between Robert Hosee & Mary Churchell Both of Plymouth
24 A Purpose of Marriage Between Joseph Trask; & Jerusha Kempton Both of Plymouth
1758 Jan^{ry} 10 A Purpose, of Marriage, Between Edward Lanman of Plym^{o} & Abiah Briant of Plimton.
14 A Purpose of Marriage, Between Samuell Briant and Eleoner Tinkcom, Both of Plymouth
21 A Purpose of Marriage, Between William Ozment. Late of Boston Now Resident in Plymouth & Elizabeth Donham of Plymouth

(To be continued)

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MASSACHUSETTS SOCIETY OF MAYFLOWER DESCENDANTS

Gifts for the Library and Cabinet

From Mr. George B. Howland: Records of the Town of Plymouth, Volume 3. [Printed records of town meetings, etc., but no vital records.]

From Mr. Percy W. Brown*, the author: History of Rowe, Mass.

From Miss Mary A. Thayer* : Photograph of the First Church of Plymouth, taken about 1892.

From Miss Anita S. Ward* and Miss Marian De C. Ward* : Sixteen back numbers of The Mayflower Descendant.

From Mr. Bradlee Rogers* : John Rogers of Marshfield and some of His Descendants; Two framed engravings, the Landing of the Pilgrims, and the Signing of the Compact; Many miscellaneous photographs.

From Mrs. William G. Reed* : Fourteen back volumes of The Mayflower Descendant (seven of them bound); Twenty-one copies of Pilgrim Notes and Queries.

From Miss Helen L. Church* : Seven historical pamphlets.

From Mrs. Kate L. Pontius* : "The Waxen Mask", written by her deceased daughter, Miss Catherine Dorr Pontius*.

From A Member: Eleven historical magazines.

* Member of the Massachusetts Society of Mayflower Descendants.

Miss Susanna Willard died 23 April, 1923, at Cambridge, Mass. She was a descendant of Richard Warren, and was elected a member, 30 September, 1902, her membership number being 729.

Mr. Roswell R. Robinson died 27 April, 1923, at Malden, Mass. He was a descendant of Francis Cooke; and was elected a member, 28 October, 1907, his membership number being 1008.

Mr. Benjamin D. Sweet died 2 May, 1923, in Boston, Mass. He was a descendant of John Alden, Isaac Allerton, William Bradford, William Brewster, James Chilton, Francis Cooke, Stephen Hopkins and Richard Warren, and was elected a member, 29 August, 1898, his membership number being 388.

Mr. Henry S. Shaw died 1 June, 1923, at Milton, Mass. He was a descendant of Isaac Allerton, James Chilton, Francis Cooke, Stephen Hopkins and Richard Warren, and was elected a member, 16 September, 1896, his membership number being 78.

George D. Bliss, M.D., died 7 June, 1923, at Baltimore, Md. He was a descendant of Richard Warren, and was elected a member, 15 December, 1897, his membership number being 304.

Mrs. George H. Fernald died 30 June, 1923, at Watkins, N. Y. She was a descendant of John Alden, and was elected a member, 19 September, 1904, her membership number being 849.

Members Elected

9 April, 1923.

No. 2545. Miss Georgianna Farnsworth Gale, Shelburne Falls, Mass., ninth from Richard Warren.

14 May, 1923.

No. 2546. Joseph Nicholas Magna, Memphis, Tenn., tenth from John Alden.

No. 2547. Rollin Browne, New York, N. Y., ninth from William Bradford.

No. 2548. Mrs. George Edwin Rogers, Boston, Mass., ninth from Richard Warren.

No. 2549. Percival Hall Lombard, Brookline, Mass., tenth from William Brewster.

No. 2550. Mrs. John Oviatt De Wolf, Winchester, Mass., ninth from William[1] Brewster, eighth from Love[2] Brewster.

No. 2551. Albert Goodwin Frothingham, Winchester, Mass., ninth from William[1] Brewster, eighth from Love[2] Brewster.

No. 2552. Mrs. Henry Swift Upson, Cleveland, Ohio, ninth from William[1] Brewster, eighth from Love[2] Brewster.

11 June, 1923.

No. 2553. George Henry Read, Comd. U. S. N. (retired), Great Barrington, Mass., eighth from Richard Warren.

No. 2554. Mrs. John Yancey Bayliss, Richmond, Va., ninth from Richard Warren.

No. 2555. Mrs. Seymour Cunningham, Litchfield, Conn., ninth from John Howland.

No. 2556. Arthur Dwight Martin, Frankfort, Ky., ninth from John Howland.

No. 2557. Mrs. Maitland Clair Lovell, Springfield, Vt., eleventh from William Brewster.

No. 2558. Mrs. Archibald Watt Couper, Northbridge, Mass., eighth from John Alden.

No. 2559. Mrs. John Fairbanks Greene, Fisherville, Mass., ninth from John Alden.

No. 2560. John Fulton Work, Hagerstown, Md., ninth from John Alden.

No. 2561. George Henry Partridge, Minneapolis, Minn., ninth from Richard Warren.

No. 2562. Mrs. Lee Brooks Byard, Minneapolis, Minn., tenth from Stephen[1] Hopkins, ninth from Constance[2] Hopkins.

No. 2563. Mrs. John Orson Barber, Winnetka, Ill., ninth from John Howland.

No. 2564. Elmer Jared Bliss, Boston, Mass., tenth from John Howland.

30 June, 1923.

No. 2565. Mrs. John Eddy Almy Hussey, Brookline, Mass., eighth from James[1] Chilton, seventh from Mary[2] Chilton.

No. 2566. Mrs. Henry Eldred Edwards, Jackson, Mich., ninth from Isaac[1] Allerton, eighth from Mary[2] Allerton.

No. 2567. Mrs. Parker Barnes Field, Cambridge, Mass., seventh from Henry Samson.

No. 2568. Daniel William Weeks, Englewood, N. J., tenth from William Brewster.

No. 2569. Alfred Holmes Beach, Minneapolis, Minn., tenth from Isaac[1] Allerton, ninth from Mary[2] Allerton.

No. 2570. Miss Elizabeth Parkhurst Wright, Pepperell, Mass., ninth from Richard Warren.

No. 2571. Mrs. William Harrison Wilson, Holyoke, Mass., eighth from William Bradford.

No. 2572. Mrs. Edmund Aaron Ashley, Holyoke, Mass., ninth from William Bradford.

No. 2573. Mrs. Albert Searl Field, Brooklyn, Conn., ninth from Edward Fuller.

No. 2574. Lewis Freeman Harding, Middleborough, Mass., ninth from William[1] White, eighth from Peregrine[2] White.

No. 2575. Mrs. Charles William Morrill, Winchester, Mass., tenth from John Alden.
No. 2576. Mrs. Howard Humphrey Rust, Bloomington, Ill., eleventh from Edward[1] Fuller, tenth from Samuel[2] Fuller.
No. 2577. Miss Alta Ramona Dean, New York, N. Y., tenth from Myles Standish.

Supplemental Lines Accepted

[The By-Laws require an additional fee of two dollars ($2.00) for each Supplemental Line filed with the Society.]

May, 1923.
No. 2529. Bradlee Rogers; tenth from Richard Warren; eleventh from Richard Warren.
No. 2538. Miss Fanny B. Josselyn; seventh from Edward Doty.
No. 2548. Mrs. George E. Rogers; tenth from Richard Warren.

June, 1923.
No. 1016. Edward W. Washburn, Ph.D.; ninth from Francis Cooke.
No. 1591. Mrs. Alfred Cushing; ninth from John Alden; ninth from Thomas Rogers; ninth from George Soule.
No. 1592. Miss Doris H. Cushing; tenth from John Alden; tenth from Thomas Rogers; tenth from George Soule.
No. 1640. Herbert E. Cushman; eighth from Francis Eaton.
No. 1642. Miss Sarah Cushman; ninth from Francis Eaton.
No. 1643. Miss Eleanor J. Cushman; ninth from Francis Eaton.
No. 1992. Miss Mary F. Linn; eighth from John Alden.
No. 2542. Mrs. Walter M. Kendall; tenth from James[1] Chilton, ninth from Mary[2] Chilton; eighth from John Howland (in two lines).
No. 2552. Mrs. Henry S. Upson; eighth from Edward[1] Fuller, seventh from Samuel[2] Fuller; eighth from John Howland; ninth from Richard Warren (in two lines).

Attest: George Ernest Bowman,
Secretary.

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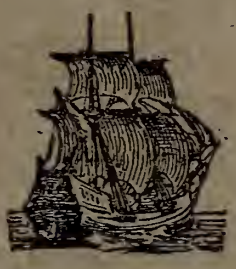

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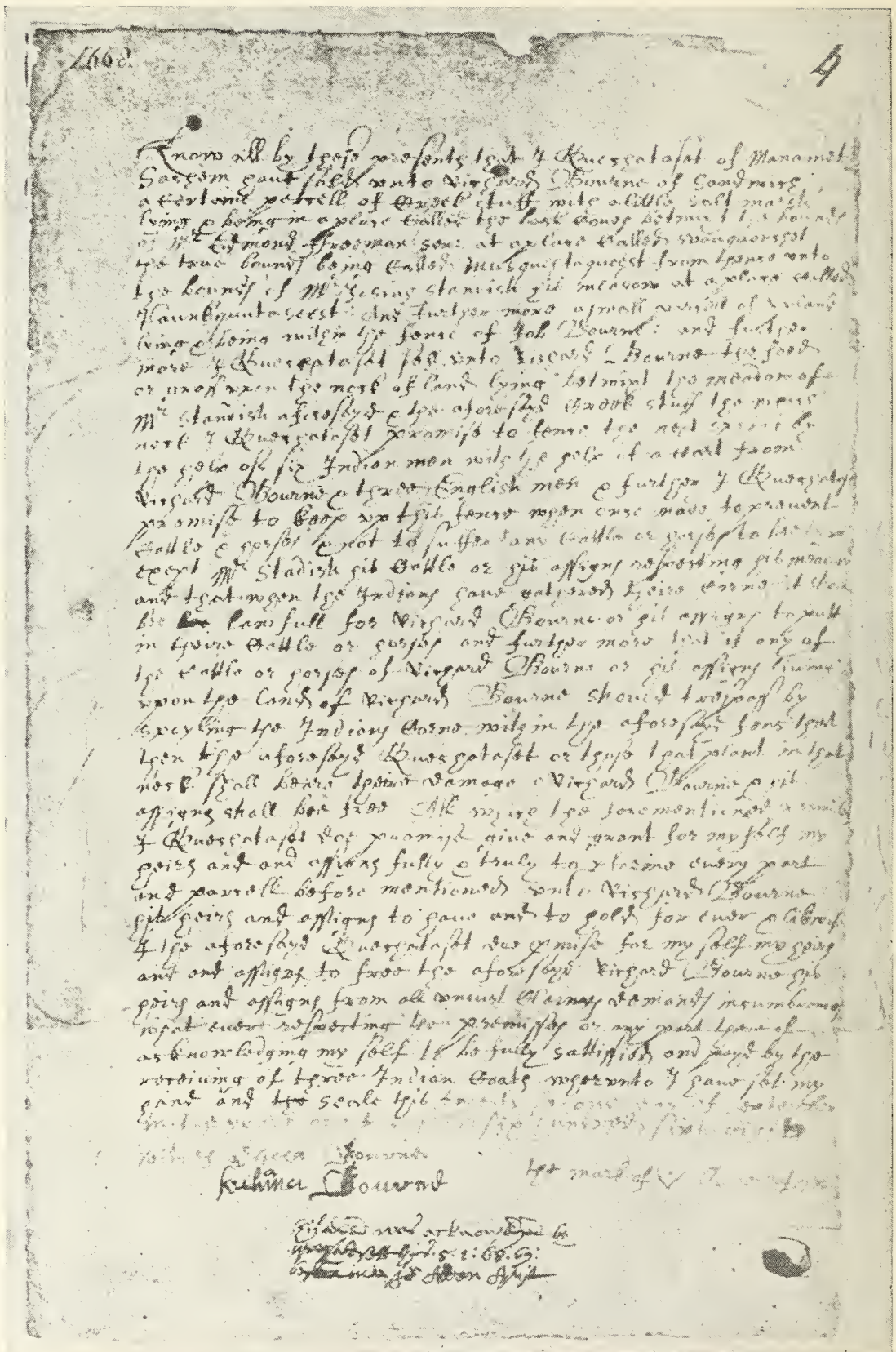

AN AUTOGRAPH OF JOHN ALDEN ON AN INDIAN DEED

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AN AUTOGRAPH SIGNATURE OF JOHN ALDEN ON A DEED FROM QUECHATASET TO RICHARD BOURNE

By the Editor

In the accompanying illustration we reproduce an original deed of land, from Quechataset, Indian Sachem of Manamet, to Richard Bourne of Sandwich, dated 22 September, 1668.

This document is of especial interest because it bears an autograph signature of John Alden, the Mayflower Passenger, before whom, in his capacity as Governor's Assistant, the deed was acknowledged by the grantor, on 5 March, 1668/9. It should be noted here that, in old style dating, March was the first month of the year. In new style, the date of this acknowledgment would have been 15 March, 1669.

The Editor has been allowed to reproduce this original document, through the continued courtesy of its present owner, Rev. Roderick Terry, D.D., of Newport, R. I., whose collection contains also the four original documents, with signatures of Elder William Brewster, Capt. Myles Standish, Major William[2] Bradford (*William*[1]), John Alden and Isaac Allerton, which were printed in our July, 1922, and January, April and July, 1923, issues.

This deed was written on one page of a four page folio, about twelve and three sixteenths inches high, and seven and five eighths inches wide. Considering the page on which the deed was written as page one, pages two and three are blank, and on page four are two endorsements, one contemporary, the other in a modern hand. About one fourth of the second leaf, at the bottom, has been lost.

The deed bears no endorsement to indicate that it was recorded, in the Plymouth Colony Deeds, or elsewhere. Possibly such an endorsement was on the missing part of the second leaf, but this deed does not appear in this society's index of the Plymouth Colony Deeds.

A literal copy of the original document and its endorsements is here printed.

[Quechataset to Richard Bourne]

Know all by these presents that I Quechataset of Manamet Sachem have sold unto Richard Bourne of Sandwich a Certaine percell of Creek stuff with a little salt marsh lying & being in a place Called the back Coves betwixt the bounds of M^r^ Edmond Freeman: sen: at a place Called Wauquonchet the true bounds being Called Musquehtaqueest from thence unto the bounds of M^r^ Josias Standish his meadow at a place Called Paunkquntaseest: And further more a small parcell of upland lying & being within the fence of Job Bourne: and further more I Quechataset sell unto Richard Bourne the feed or grass upon the neck of land lying betwixt the meadow of M^r^ Standish aforesayd & the aforesayd Creek stuff the which neck I Quechataset promise to fence the next spring by the help of six Indian men with the help of a Cart from Richard Bourne & three English men & further I Quechataset promise to keep up this fence when once made to prevent Cattle & horses & not to suffer any Cattle or horses to bee there except M^r^ Stadish* his Cattle or his assigns respecting his meadow and that when the Indians have gathered theire Corne it shall bee lawfull for Richard Bourne or his assigns to putt in theire Cattle or horses and further more that if any of the Cattle or horses of Richard Bourne or his assigns living upon the lands of Richard Bourne should trespass by spoyling the Indians Corne within the aforesayd fenc that then the aforesayd Quechatasett or those that plant in that neck shall beare theire damage & Richard Bourne & his assigns shall bee free All which the forementioned premisses I Quechataset Doe promise give and grant for myself my heirs and and assigns fully & truly to pforme every part and parcell before mentioned unto Richard Bourne his heirs and assigns to have and to hold for ever & likwise I the aforesayd Quechataset Doe pmise for my self my heirs and and

* Plainly an error for "Standish".

assigns to free the aforesayd Richard Bourne his heirs and assigns from all unjust Claimes Demands incumbrances what ever respecting the premisses or any part there of acknowledging my self to be fully sattisfied and payd by the receiving of three Indian Coats wherunto I have set my hand and [*the**] seale this twenty second day of September in the yeare one thousand six hundred sixty eight

witnes Elisha Bourne the mark of Quechataset
Ruhama Bourne

this deed was acknowledged by
quechatasett this . 5 . 1 : 68: 69:
before mee Jo^{n} Alden Asist

[*In same hand as deed, on back*]
"Quechatasets deed of the land at the river and the Creek Stuff & march towards Waquonchet"

[*On back, in modern hand*]
"331 Indian Deed 1668.
No 1, Bourne Chest
B. Kent"

BARNSTABLE, MASS., VITAL RECORDS

(*Continued from page 133*)

[p. 229] Andrew Lovel & Jemima his Wife
y^{r} Son Zelotes bourn Nov^{r} 24 1753
their Daughter Sebra born Sept^{r} 26th 1756
Jemima Born January 15th 1768
Releif Born march 12th 1770
Their Daughter Martha born†
Samuel Crocker Ju^{r} & Elizabeth his Wife
Their Daughter Abigail Born 1st July 1753
Their Son Elijah born 27 octo^{r} 1755
by his Second wife anna
Daughter Elizabeth born Feb^{y} 24: 1764
Daughter anna born april 7th 1766
Son Elisha born august 30th 1767 Elisha Died May 15th 1817
Son Ezekiel born Jan^{y} 20th 1770

* "the" is crossed out, in the original.

† The date was not entered.

Daughter Susanna born July the 7th 1773
The Children of Ebenezer Baker and Elizabeth his wife
Their Daughter Dorcas born December ye 3d 1760
Their Son Nathaniel Baker born ye 7th of December 1761
Their Daugter Lydia Born february 19th 1763
their Son Stephen baker born february 29th 1764
their Son David Baker born September 2d 1765
Thomas Gorham jr & Hannah his wife
Their Son Job Bourn Decemr 12 1754
Their Son Isaac Born April 29 1756
Daughter Desire Born Octor 16 1757
Son Ezekiel Born December 3 1758
Son John Born March 7 1760
Daughter Elisabeth Born June 10 1761
By his Second wife Rebeckah
their Daughter mary Born Septr 11th 1766
Cornelius Davis and Annah his Wife
Their Daughter Mercy born March 22 1751
Their Daughter Annah born July 4: 1754
[p. 230] Eli Phinney and Mary his wife married march 14th 1754
their Son Richard Phinney born 2nd Day of Febry 1755 Died August ye 23d 1765
Their Daughter Susanna Born Septr 29th 1757 Died August 20th 1765
Their Daughter Deborah Born April 28th 1760
Their Son Solomon born may 18th 1762
Their Son paul born June 17th 1764
Their Son William Born December 25th 1766 } Twins
Their Son Edward Born the Same 25th of Decr 1766 }
Edward died march ye 6th 1769
their Daughter Jane Born June 10th 1769
born Their Son Robert March the 18th 1773
Samuel Childs and Mary his Wife
yr Son Samll born July 7 1753
James Childs and Mary his wife*
Jeremiah Bacon and Hannah
yr Daughter olive Born Aug 3 1755
Barnabas Chipman Jur and Mary
yr Daughter Martha born Sep 4 1752
Elizabeth 8 of Feb - 1755
their Son Joseph Born May 14th 1758
their Daughter Hannah born June 6th 1760
their Son Barnabas born Novr 20th 1763
Ignatius Smith and Susannah
their son Abner born April 2nd 1755
Son Enoch Born may 2: 1757

* Nothing more was entered.

Churchel Blossom Son to Seth Blossom By his first wife Sarah Born Octo 15 1749.
[p. 231] William Crocker Jur and Lydia his Wife
Their Daughter Abigail Crocker born March 15 1754
Their Son David Crocker born Aug 23 1755
their Daughter Temperance born Jany 2 1763
By his Second wife Mary
their Daughter Sarah born June 26th 1765
their Daughter Mary born Novr 2d 1766
their Son William born Novr 19th 1768
their Son Mathias born July 26th 1770
Seth Blossom and Abigail Crocker Married
Their Son David Blossom born Janry 12 1755
Their Son Peter Blossom born Decemr 4 1756
Their Daughter Abigail Blossom Born May 10th 1760
their Son Seth Blossom Born Decr 11th 1763
their Daughter Hannah Born august: 15th 1766
Levi Born April 15th 1772
James Howland & Rebeckah his Wife
Their Daughter Abigail Howland born Decem 31 1754
Rebecca Born 26 . march 1757.
Elisabeth aug: 11 . 1759
Joseph & Jabez Howland twins Born Jany 29: 1762
their Daughter Mercy Born august 5th 1767
their Son James born august 7th 1771
The Children of David Baker & Lydia His wife
their Son David Baker Born June ye 16th 1763
Shobal Hamblin Jur and Martha his Wife
Their Son Joshua Born July 2 1752 . Old Stile
Susannah April 15 1754 New Stile
Timothy Feb 2nd 1756
Sarah Feby 10th 1759
the other Children See page 238*
The Children of Job Howland & Hannah his Wife
Their Daughter mary born July 21st 1755
Their Son John Born march 31st 1757
their Son Shove Born Decr 28th 1759
their Daugher Hannah born may 20 1762
their Son Job born July 24th 1764
Daugher Joanna born July 28th 1766
their Son Benjamin born August 7th 1768
Second Son Benjamin born June 18 1770
Mehitable born June 23d 1773
Son Southward born march 29th 1775
Son Timothy born Sepr 17th 1777

* Children by a second wife, Sarah, and a third wife, Ruth, were recorded on original page 238, now numbered 245.

[p. 232] Marriages

Octo^{r} 10 1754 Sam^{ll} Whitney & Mehtiable* Robin Married ℔ John Thacher Jus^{t} of y^{e} peace

March 4† 1756 Joshua Ralph Martha Will married p^{r} David Crocker Justice of y peace

Joshua Lumbart ju^{r} & Jean Claghorn Maried Sept^{r} 1755 ℔ David Crocker Justice of y^{e} peace

Jonathan Bacon & Sarah Davis May 1756†

Ephraim Peter and Margaret pogmot† May 1756

Andrew Garritt & Temperance his wife

theire Son Andrew Born feb^{y} 25th 1755

The Children of the Said Andrew Garritt and Lucy his Second wife

their Son Jesse born feb^{y} y^{e} 20th 1761

their Son Isaac born may 17th 1763

their Daughter Temperance born august y^{e} 19th 1765

their Daughter Susannah Born october 7: 1768

Barnabas Lothrop & Thankful his wife their Children born

Hannah 4 of March 1745 Monday

Mary 12 of March 1747 Thursday

Barnabas 27 of Jan^{ry} 1749 . Fryday

Abigail 8 of April 1752 . Sabbath day

Isaac Born 8 of Feb 1754 N S. Thirsday

John 23 Nov^{r} 1755 N Stile

Isaac Sep^{tr} 6th 1757.

Jonathan Lothrop and Mary his Wife

their Son Joseph born 9 oct^{r} 1752

Rebekah born 29 octo^{r} 1755 . New Stile

the Children of Jonathan Lothrop By unis his Second wife

their Son Thomas Born april 9th 1763

their Son Jonathan Born february 13th 1766

their Daughter mercy Born July 10th 1758 by His first wife

Their Son David born June 20th 1770

Joseph Linnel & Dorcas Smith married

Their Son Levi Born Feb^{ry} 1749 }
Thankful 30 July 1750 } old Stile
Dorcas 27 " 1752 }

Lydia 21 Feb^{ry} 1754 }
Heman 28 January 1756 } New Stile

(To be continued)

* Evidently a mistake of the town clerk, for "Mehitable".

† See duplicate entry, on original page 228.

"GOOD NEWES FROM NEW ENGLAND"

WITH NOTES BY THE EDITOR

EDWARD WINSLOW, the Mayflower Passenger, went to England in September, 1623, on business for the Plymouth colonists, and returned to Plymouth in 1624. While in England he published a small book whose title begins: "Good Newes From New England".

A literal transcript of this rare work, made from the copy formerly owned by Rev. Thomas Prince of Boston, Mass., was printed by the present writer, in 1916 and 1917, in the fourth and fifth volumes of "Pilgrim Notes and Queries"*.

On account of its great historical importance, and its especial interest to all descendants of the Mayflower Passengers, we shall again reprint this book, in successive issues of "The Mayflower Descendant", in order to make it accessible to the large numbers of our readers who would not otherwise have an opportunity to become familiar with it.

Rev. Thomas Prince's copy of this book, bound with five other small books, is now in the "John Adams Library" at the Boston Public Library. This copy is of interest because it was used by Prince in writing his "Chronological History of New-England", published in 1736, and contains manuscript notes by him.

A note in Prince's handwriting, on a blank page of the original manuscript of Gov. Bradford's History, states that on Tuesday, 4 June, 1728, he called at Major John Bradford's house at Kingston, Mass., and borrowed several manuscripts written by Gov. Bradford. At the same time he obtained permission to get the manuscript History from Judge Sewall, of Boston, to whom it had been loaned. The note makes no mention of any printed books obtained from Maj. John[3] Bradford; but certain writing on the margins of several pages of the Prince copy of "Good Newes" furnishes very strong evidence that this copy was at one time in the hands of Maj. John[3] Bradford's father, Deputy Governor William[2] Bradford, who may have inherited it from his father, Gov. William[1] Bradford, with the History and other manuscripts.

*Published by the Massachusetts Society of Mayflower Descendants, 1913 to 1917 inclusive, and then discontinued, on account of the world war.

Deputy Governor William[2] Bradford had a son Israel[3], born about 1677, who probably was responsible for the following inscriptions on the margins of the pages indicated: [p. viii] "bradford" "Israel Bradford" "Israel" "israel" "israel"; [p. 4] "Bradford" "Good newes from newe Enggland" "Good newes from new England"; [p. 8] "Bradford" "bradford" "Israel Bradford" "bradford"; [p. 33] "Israel Bradford".

These entries show that this copy of "Good Newes" was once owned by some member of the Bradford family, and the style of the writing indicates that its date was earlier than Prince's call on Maj. John[3] Bradford. The only Israel Bradford known, who could have made these entries, was Maj. John's brother, and we may be sure that the entries were not made after Rev. Thomas Prince came into possession of the book.

There seems to be very little doubt that this copy was once owned by Deputy Governor William[2] Bradford, and passed from him to his son, Major John[3] Bradford, who loaned it to Rev. Thomas Prince.

This copy was used, in 1741, in a dispute about the boundaries between Massachusetts and Rhode Island, as shown by a manuscript note on the back of the title-page.

When the six small books were bound together, probably for Prince, the "Good Newes" was placed first, and three blank leaves were inserted before it. Of these six pages, the first two and the sixth were not written upon; but the third page bears the autograph inscription: "Thomas Prince his Book." On the fourth blank page Prince wrote an "Index to this Collection", giving the order in which the books were bound together. Very much abbreviated titles of the other five, taken from the several title-pages, not from Prince's "Index", follow:

"Votivae Angliae: or The Desires and Wishes of England." Utrecht, 1624.

"The Saints Advantage: or The Well-Fare of The Faithfull, In the Worst Times." London, 1624.

"A Plaine Path-Way to Plantations" 1624. [No place of printing.]

"The New Art of Lying" London, 1624.

"The Foot out of the Snare" London, 1624.

"The Saints Advantage", according to its title-page, was written "By John Wing, an unworthy Minister of the Gospell, and Pastour to the English Church at Flushing in Zealand."

In a footnote to his "Index to this Collection", Prince wrote: "This Wing was Pastor of y[e] English Puritan–Chh at Middle-

borrough in Zeeland; w^os^ widow bro't her Children to Sandwich in New England, w^o^ afterwards turn'd Quakers, & from w^m^ y^e^ Wings at Sandwich, Wareham, Rochester & Dartmouth are derived."

On the fifth page of the fly-leaves, Prince wrote the following interesting note:

"Good News from New England By E W. i e Edward Winslow. as Purchase says. E Winslow. London Printed by I D for William Bladen & John Bellamie, & sold at their shops, at the Bible in Paul's Church-yard, & The 3 Golden Lions in Corn-Hill, near the Royal Exchange, 1624.

"Page 51 y^e^ author says whence [i e from New Plimouth] we set sail the Tenth of September [i e in 1623] and by y^e^ same Paragraph, it appears y^t^ He then sail'd from New Plimouth for London in y^e^ bigger ship called y^e^ Ann. and Gov^r^ Bradford in his manuscript History of Plimouth Colony, says y^t^ with y^e^ Ann they sent M^r^ Winslow to inform how Things are & procure what we want.

"M^r^ Winslow therefore closing this History w^th^ Sept. 10. 1623, when He set sail for London, we may conclude He arriv'd at London about y^e^ End of October & Prepared this Relation for y^e^ Press in November following & Printed it at London in y^e^ Beginning of 1624.

"Since I wrote y^e^ Paragraph above I can write more accurately. For M^r^ Morton says y^t^ in March 1624 i e y^e^ Beginning of 1624 M^r^ Winslow arriv'd at Plimouth in New England, having been employ'd as agent for that Plantation, &c: By w^c^ it seems He must have left London in y^e^ Beginning of Feb, & must have Printed this Relation There between y^e^ End of October 1623 & y^e^ End of January 1623/4. and I know it is y^e^ custom of y^e^ London Printers to Begin y^e^ year in their Books at Michaelmas: so y^t^ after Sept. 29. 1623, they will Date them at y^e^ Bottom of y^e^ Title Page, 1624."

The blank sixth page, of the inserted fly-leaves, faces the title-page of the "Good Newes", and on the back of the title-page is the following manuscript court record:

"At a Court of Commiss^rs^ for Settling Adjusting and Determining the Boundarys of y^e^ Colony of Rhode Island Eastward towards the Province of the Massachusets Bay

"This Book was produced in Court by the Agents for the Province to the End they might give Several passages therein Contained as Evidence But the agents for the Colony Opposed and the Court Rejected the Same

"Dated at y^e^ Court of Comis^rs^ Sitting in Providence in the Colony of Rhode Island The Twentithird day of June Anno Dom 1741

"Attest Will Sam Ballard"

The Prince copy of "Good Newes" has thirty-eight leaves, or seventy-six pages, as follows: Title-page; back of title (blank, with manuscript entry as stated); four pages of dedication, "To All Wel-Willers"; two pages "To the Reader"; sixty-six pages of the text; one page of postscript; one blank page. The running title, at the top of the second, third and fourth pages of the dedication, reads: "The Epistle Dedicatory."

In printing the title-page, which follows, no attempt has been made to represent the many different sizes of type used; but the page is reprinted line for line as in the original, with the same use of capitals and italics.

GOOD
NEWES
FROM NEW ENGLAND:

OR

A true Relation of things very remarkable at the Plantation of *Plimoth* in NEW-ENGLAND.
Shewing the wondrous providence and goodnes of GOD, in their preservation and continuance, *being delivered from many apparant deaths and dangers.*
Together with a Relation of such religious and civill Lawes and Customes, as are in practise amongst the *Indians,* adjoyning to them at this day. As also *what Commodities are there to be raysed for the maintenance of that and other Plantations in the said Country.*
Written by *E. W.* who hath borne a part in the fore-named troubles, and there lived since their first Arrivall.

LONDON

Printed by *I. D.* for *William Bladen* and *John Bellamie,* and are to be sold at their Shops, at the *Bible* in *Pauls*-Churchyard, and at the three Golden Lyons in Corn-hill, neere the *Royal Exchange.* 1624.

[p. iii] To All Wel-Willers And Furtheres Of Plantations in *New-England:* especially to such as ever have or desire to assist, the *people of* Plimoth *in their just proceedings, Grace, and Peace, bee multiplyed.*

RIght Honorable and Worshipfull Gentlemen, or whatsoever: Since it hath pleased God to stir you up to be instruments of his glory, in so honorable an enterprise as the inlarging of his Maiesties Dominions, by planting his loyall subiects in so healthfull and hopefull a Countrey as *New-England* is; where the Church of God being seated in sincerity, there is no lesse hope of convincing the Heathen of their evill wayes, and converting them to the true knowledge and worship of the living God, and so consequently the salvation of their soules by the merits of Jesus Christ, then else-where though it be much talked on, & lightly or [p. iv] or lamely prosecuted. I therefore thinke it but my dutie to offer the view of our proceedings to your worthy considerations, having to that end composed them together thus briefly as you see; wherein to your great encouragement, you may behold the good providence of God working with you in our preservation from so many dangerous plots and treacheries, as have beene intended against us; as also in giving his blessing so powerfully upon the weake meanes wee had, inabling us with health and ability beyond expectation, in our greatest scarcities, and possessing the hearts of the Salvages with astonishment and feare of us, whereas if God had let them loose, they might easily have swallowed us up, scarce being an handfull in comparison of those forces they might have gathered together against us, which now by Gods blessing will be more hard and difficult, in regard our number of men is increased, our towne better fortified, and our store better victualed. Blessed therefore be his name, that hath done so great things for us, & hath wrought so great a change amongst us.

Accept I pray you my weake endevours, pardon my unskilfulnesse, and beare with my plainenesse in the things I have handled. Bee not discouraged by our former necessities, but rather incouraged with us, hoping that as God hath wrought with us in our beginning of this worthy Worke, undertaken in his name and feare; so he will by us accomplish the same to his glory and our comfort, if wee neglect not the meanes. I confesse, it hath not bin much lesse chargeable to some of you, then hard and [p. v] and difficult to us, that have endured the brunt of the battell, and yet small profits returned; onely by

Gods mercy wee are safely seated, housed, and fortified, by which meanes a great step is made unto gaine, and a more direct course taken for the same, then if at first we had rashly and covetously fallen upon it.

Indeed, three things are the overthrow and bane (as I may terme it) of Plantations.

1. The vaine expectation of present profit, which too too commonly taketh a principall seate in the heart and affection; though Gods glory, &c. is preferred before it in the mouth with protestation.

2. Ambition in their Governours and Commanders, seeking onely to make themselves great, and slaves of all that are under them, to maintaine a transitory base honour in themselves, which God oft punisheth with contempt.

3. The carelesnes of those that send over supplies of men unto them, not caring how they bee qualified: so that oft times they are rather the Image of men endued with bestiall, yea, diabolicall affections, then the Image of God, endued with reason, understanding, and holines. I prayse God I speake not these things experimentally, by way of complaint of our owne condition, but having great cause on the contrary part to be thankefull to God for his mercies towardes us: but rather, if there bee any too desirous of gaine, to intreate them to moderate their affections, and consider that no man expecteth fruit before the tree be growne: advising all men, that as they tender their owne well-fare, so [p. vi] so to make choise of such to mannage and governe their affayres, as are approved not to be seekers of themselves, but the common good of all for whom they are imployed; and beseeching such as have the care of transporting men for the supply and furnishing of Plantations, to be truely carefull in sending such as may further and not hinder so good an action. There is no godly honest man, but will be helpfull in his kinde, and adorne his profession with an upright life and conversation, which Doctrine of manners ought first to bee Preached by giving good example to the poore Savage Heathens amongst whom they live. On the contrary part, what great offence hath beene given by many profane men, who being but seeming Christians, have made Christ and Christianitie stinke in the nostrils of the poore Infidels, and so laid a stumbling blocke before them: *but woe be to them by whom such offences come.*

These things I offer to your Christian considerations, beseeching you to make a good construction of my simple meaning, and take in good part this ensuing Relation, dedicating my selfe and it evermore unto your service; beseeching God to crowne our Christian and faithfull endevours with his blessings temporall and eternall.

Yours in this service, ever to be commanded:
E. W.

[p. vii] *To the Reader. Good Reader, when I first penned this discourse, I intended it chiefly for the satisfaction of my private friends, but since that time have beene perswaded to publish the same: And the rather, because of a disorderly Colony that are dispersed, and most of them returned, to the great prejudice and dammage of him that set them forth; who as they were a staine to old* England *that bred them, in respect of their lives and manners amongst the* Indians: *So it is to be feared, will bee no lesse to* New-England *in their vile and clamorous reports, because shee would not foster them in their desired idle courses. I would not bee understood to thinke there were no wel-deserving persons amongst them: for of mine owne knowledge it was a griefe to some that they were so yoaked; whose deserts as they were then sutable to their honest protestations, so I desire still may be, in respect of their just and true Relations.*

Peradventure thou wilt rather marvell that I deale so plainely, then any way doubt of the truth of this my Relation, yea it may be tax me therewith, as seeming rather to discourage men, then any way to further so noble an action? If any honest minde be discouraged, I am sorry, sure [p. viii] *sure I am, I have given no just cause; and am so farre from being discouraged my selfe, as I purpose to returne forthwith. And for other light and vaine persons, if they stumble hereat I have my desire, accounting it better for them and us that they keepe where they are, as being unfit and unable to performe so great a taske.*

Some faults have escaped because I could not attend on the Presse, which I pray thee correct as thou findest, and I shall account it as a favour unto me.

Thine E. W.

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GOOD NEWES
FROM
New-England.

The Good Ship called the *Fortune,* which in the Moneth of *Novemb.* 1621. (blessed be God) brought us a new supply of 35. persons, was not long departed our Coast, ere the Great people of *Nanohigganset,* which are reported to be many thousands strong, began to breath forth many threats against us, notwithstanding their desired and obtained peace with us in the foregoing summer. Insomuch as the common talke of our neighbour *Indians* on all sides was of the preparation they made to come against us. In reason a man would thinke they should have now more cause to feare us than before our supply came: but though none of them were present, yet understanding [p. 2] derstanding by others that they neither brought Armes nor other provisions with them, but wholly relied on us, it occasioned them to sleight and brave us with so many threats as they did. At length came one of them to us, who was sent by *Conanacus* their chiefe *Sachim* or King, accompanied with one *Tokamahamon* a friendly *Indian.* This messenger inquired for *Tisquantum* our Interpreter, who not being at home seemed rather to be glad than sorry, and leaving for him a bundle of new arrowes lapped in a rattle Snakes skin, desired to depart with all expedition. But our Governours not knowing what to make of this strange cariage, and comparing it with that we had formerly heard, committed him to the custodie of Captaine *Standish,* hoping now to know some certaintie of that we so often heard, either by his owne relation to us, or to *Tisquantum* at his returne, desiring my selfe, having speciall familiaritie with the other fore-named *Indian,* to see if I could learne any thing from him, whose answer was sparingly to this effect; that he could not certainly tell, but thought they were enemies to us. That night Captaine *Standish* gave me and another charge of him, and gave us order to use him kindly, and that hee should not want any thing he desired, and to take all occasions to talke and inquire of the reasons of those reports we heard, and withall to signifie that upon his true relation he should be sure of his owne freedome. At first feare so possest him, that he could scarce say anything: but in the end became more familiar, and told us that the messenger which his Master sent in Summer to treat of peace, at his returne perswaded him rather to warre; and to the end he might provoke him thereunto,

(as appeared to him by our reports) detained many of the things were sent him by our Governour, scorning the meannesse of them both in respect of what himself had formerly sent, & also of the greatnesse of his owne person; so that he much blamed the former Messenger, saying, that upon the knowledge of his false cariage, it would cost him his life; [p. 3] life; but assured us that upon his relation of our speech then with him to his Master, he would be friends with us. Of this we informed the Governour and his Assistant, and Captaine *Standish,* who after consultation considered him howsoever but in the state of a messenger, and it being as well against the Law of Armes amongst them as us in *Europe,* to lay violent hands on any such, set him at liberty, the Governour giving him order to certifie his Master that he had heard of his large and many threatenings, at which hee was much offended, daring him in those respects to the utmost, if he would not be reconciled to live peaceably as other his neighbours; manifesting withall (as ever) his desire of peace; but his fearlesse resolution, if he could not so live amongst them. After which he caused meat to be offered him, but he refused to eat, making all speed to returne, and giving many thanks for his liberty. But requesting the other *Indian* againe to returne, the weather being violent, he used many words to perswade him to stay longer, but could not. Whereupon he left him, and said he was with his friends, and would not take a journey in such extremitie.

After this when *Tisquantum* returned, and the arrowes were delivered, and the manner of the messengers cariage related, he signified to the Governour, that to send the rattle Snakes skin in that manner, imported enmitie, and that it was no better than a challenge. Hereupon after some deliberation, the Governour stuffed the skin with powder and shot, and sent it backe returning no lesse defiance to *Conanacus,* assuring him if hee had shipping now present thereby to send his men to *Nanohigganset* (the place of his abode) they should not need to come so farre by land to us: yet withall shewing that they should never come unwelcome or unlooked for. This message was sent by an *Indian,* and delivered in such sort, as it was no small terrour to this savage King, [p. 4] King, insomuch as hee would not once touch the powder and shot, or suffer it to stay in his house or Country. Whereupon the Messenger refusing it, another tooke it up, and having beene posted from place to place a long time, at length came back whole againe.

In the meane time, knowing our owne weaknesse, notwithstanding our high words and loftie lookes towards them, and still lying open to all casualty, having as yet (under God) no other defence than our Armes, wee thought it most needfull to impale our Towne, which with all expedition wee accomplished in the moneth of February and some few dayes, taking in the top of the Hill under which our Towne is seated, making four bulwarkes or jetties without the ordinarie circuit of the pale, from whence wee could defend the whole Towne: In three whereof are gates, and the fourth in time to be. This being done, Captaine *Standish* divided our strength into foure squadrons or companies, appointing whom hee thought most fit to have command of each; And at a generall Muster or Trayning, appointed each his place, gave each his Companie, giving them charge upon every alarum to resort to their Leaders to their appointed place, and in his absence, to be commanded and directed by them. That done according to his order, each drew his Companie to his appointed place for defence, and there together discharged their muskets. After which they brought their new Commanders to their houses, where againe they graced them with their shot, and so departed.

Fearing also lest the enemie at any time should take any advantage by firing our houses, Captaine *Standish* appointed a certaine Companie, that whensoever they saw or heard fire to be cryed in the Towne, should onely betake themselves to their Armes, and should inclose [p. 5] inclose the house or place so indangered, and stand aloofe on their guard, with their backs towards the fire, to prevent trechery, if any were in that kinde intended. If the fire were in any of the houses of this guard, they were then freed from it, but not otherwise, without speciall command.

LONG before this time wee promised the people of *Massachuset* in the beginning of March to come unto them, and trade for their Furres, which being then come, we began to make preparation for that voyage. In the meantime, an *Indian* called *Hobbamock,* who still lived in the Towne, told us, that hee feared the *Massachusets* or *Massachuseucks* (for they so called the people of that place) were joyned in confederacy with the *Nanohigganneucks,* or people of *Nanohigganset,* and that they therefore would take this opportunitie to cut off Captaine *Standish* and his company abroad: but howsoever in the meane

time, it was to be feared that the *Nanohigganeuks* would assault the Towne at home, giving many reasons for his jealousie, as also that *Tisquantum* was in the confederacie, who we should find would use many perswasions to draw us from our shallops to the *Indians* houses for their better advantage. To confirme this his jealousie he told us of many secret passages that passed betweene him and others, having their meetings ordinarily abroad in the woods: but if at home howsoever he was excluded from their secrecie, saying it was the manner of the *Indians* when they meant plainly to deal openly: but in this his practise there was no shew of honestie.

Hereupon the Governour, together with his Assistant and Captaine *Standish,* called together such, as by them were thought most meet for advice in so weightie a businesse, who after consideration hereof came to this resolution; That as hitherto upon all occasions betweene them and us, we had ever manifested undanted courage and resolution, [p. 6]lution, so it would not now stand with our safetie to mew up our selves in our new-enclosed towne, partly because our Store was almost emptie, and therefore must seeke out for our daily food, without which we could not long subsist; but especially for that thereby they would see us dismaied, & be encouraged to prosecute their malicious purposes; with more eagernesse than ever they intended: whereas on the contrary, by the blessing of God, our fearelesse carriage might be a meanes to discourage and weaken their proceedings. And therefore thought best to proceed in our trading voyage, making this use of that wee heard, to goe the better provided, and use the more carefulnesse both at home and abroad, leaving the event to the disposing of the Almightie, whose providence as it had hitherto beene over us for good, so we had now no cause (save our sinnes) to dispaire of his mercie in our preservation and continuance, where wee desired rather to bee instruments of good to the Heathens about us, than to give them the least measure of just offence.

All things being now in readinesse, the forenamed Captaine with ten men, accompanied with *Tisquantum* and *Hobbamock,* set forwards for the *Massachusets:* but wee had no sooner turned the point of the harbour called the *Gurnets nose* (where being becalmed wee let fall our grapnell, to set things to rights, and prepare to row) but there came an Indian of *Tisquantums*

family, running to certaine of our people that were from home with all eagernesse, having his face wounded, and the bloud still fresh on the same, calling to them to repaire home, oft looking behinde him, as if some others had him in chase, saying that at *Namaschet* (a towne some fifteene miles from us) there were many of the *Nanohigganſets, Massassowat* our supposed friend, and *Coubatant* our feared enemie, with many others, with a resolution to take advantage on the present opportunitie, to assault the towne in the Captaines absence, affirming that he received the wound in his face for speaking [p. 7] speaking in our behalfe, and by fleight escaped, looking oft backward, as if he suspected them to be at hand. This he affirmed againe to the Governour, whereupon he gave command that three peece of Ordnance should bee made ready and discharged, to the end that if we were not out of hearing, we might returne thereat. Which we no sooner heard, but wee repaired homeward with all convenient speed, arming our selves, and making all in readinesse to fight. When wee entred the harbour, we saw the Towne likewise on their guard, whither we hasted with all convenient speed. The newes being made knowne unto us, *Hobbamock* said flatly that it was false, assuring us of *Massassowats* faithfulnesse; howsoever he presumed he would never have undertaken any such act without his privitie, himselfe being a Pinse, that is, one of his chiefest champions or men of valour, it being the manner amongst them not to undertake such enterprises without the advice and furtherance of men of that ranke. To this the Governour answered, hee should be sorry that any just and necessarie occasions of warre should arise betweene him and any the Savages, but especially *Massassowat,* not that hee feared him more than the rest, but because his love more exceeded towards him than any. Whereunto *Hobbamock* replyed; There was no cause wherefore hee should distrust him, and therefore should doe well to continue his affections.

But to the end things might be made more manifest, the Governour caused *Hobbamock* to send his wife with all privacie to *Puckanokick* the chiefe place of *Massassowats* residence, (pretending other occasions) there to informe herselfe, and so us, of the right state of things. When shee came thither, and saw all things quiet, and that no such matter was or had beene intended, told *Massassowat* what had hapned at *Plimoth,* (by them called *Patuxet*) which when hee understood, he was

[p. 8] was much offended at the cariage of *Tisquantum,* returning many thanks to the Governour for his good thoughts of him; and assuring him that according to their first Articles of peace, he would send word and give warning when any such businesse was towards.

Thus by degrees wee began to discover *Tisquantum,* whose ends were onely to make himselfe great in the eyes of this Country-men, by meanes of his neerenesse and favour with us, not caring who fell so hee stood. In the generall, his course was to perswade them hee could lead us to peace or warre at his pleasure, and would oft threaten the *Indians,* sending them word in a private manner, wee were intended shortly to kill them, that thereby hee might get gifts to himselfe to worke their peace, insomuch as they had him in greater esteeme than many of their *Sachims;* yea they themselves sought to him, who promised them peace in respect of us; yea and protection also, so as they would resort to him. So that whereas divers were wont to relie on *Massassowat* for protection, and resort to his abode, now they began to leave him, and seeke after *Tisquantum.* Now though hee could not make good these his large promises, especially because of the continued peace betweene *Massassowat* and us, he therefore raised this false alarum, hoping whilest things were hot in the heat of bloud, to provoke us to march into his Country against him, whereby he hoped to kindle such a flame as would not easily be quenched, and hoping if that blocke were once removed, there were no other betweene him and honour; which he loved as his life, and preferred before his peace. For these and the like abuses, the Governour sharply reproved him, yet was hee so necessarie and profitable an instrument, as at that time wee could not misse him. But when wee understood his dealings, we certified all the *Indians* of our ignorance and innocencie therein, assuring them [p. 9] them till they begun with us, they should have no cause to feare. And if any hereafter should raise any such reports, they should punish them as liers and seekers of their and our disturbance, which gave the *Indians* good satisfaction on all sides.

After this wee proceeded in our voyage to the Massachusets, where wee had good store of Trade, and (blessed be God) returned in safety, though driven from before our Towne in great danger and extremitie of weather.

(*To be continued*)

THE ESTATES OF ISAAC³ DOTY OF PLYMOUTH AND HIS SONS NERIAH AND ICHABOD

By the Editor

Isaac³ Doty (*John*², *Edward*¹) was born at Plymouth, on 25 October, 1678, and was there married, on 17 March, 1702/3, to Martha Faunce (daughter of Elder Thomas Faunce), who was born there on 16 December, 1680.

Isaac and Martha (Faunce) Doty had nine children, all recorded at Plymouth:

Elizabeth⁴ Doty, born 24 April, 1704, married John Studley.

Jane⁴ Doty*, born 10 November, 1706, married John Palmer, Jr.

Isaac⁴ Doty, born 30 March, 1709.

Rebecca⁴ Doty, born 10 March, 1711; married, first, Benjamin⁴ Warren (*Benjamin*³, *Joseph*², *Richard*¹); married, second, David Turner.

Neriah⁴ Doty†, born 8 March, 1712/13, died, unmarried, in 1738.

Jabez⁴ Doty, born 1 January, 1716.

Hope⁴ Doty, born 11 November, 1718, died 5 April, 1720.

Ichabod⁴ Doty (a twin); born 13 January, 1720/1, at four o'clock, A. M.; died, unmarried, between 15 March, 1735/6, and 19 August, 1749.

Mary⁴ Doty (a twin), born 13 January, 1720/1, at two o'clock, P. M., married Lemuel Bartlett⁵ (*Robert*⁴, *Joseph*³, *Mary*² *Warren*, *Richard*¹).

The parents were buried on Burial Hill, Plymouth, and literal copies, made by the present writer, of the inscriptions on their gravestones are here given:

"Here lyes Buried the Body of Mr Isaac Doten died April Ye 15th 1725 . in Ye 46th Year of his Age."

"Here lyes Buried the Body of mrs Martha Doten wife to Mr Isaac Doten died Septr 9th 1745 . in Ye 65th Year of her Age."

* Recorded "Jeane", not "Joane" as stated on page 149 of the "Doty-Doten Family", Brooklyn, N. Y., 1897.

† Not "Neviah", as stated in William T. Davis' "Ancient Landmarks of Plymouth", Boston, 1883, and in "Doty-Doten Family", p. 149.

These two records were correctly printed in Bradford Kingman's "Epitaphs from Burial Hill", Brookline, Mass., 1892; but in Benjamin Drew's "Burial Hill", Plymouth, Mass., 1894, the day of Isaac's death was incorrectly printed as 13 April, and Martha's age was incorrectly printed as "63d year".

The son "Neriah Doten" made his will 22 June, 1738, and it was probated 5 December, 1738.

The son Ichabod⁴ Doten died unmarried before 19 August, 1749, when five of his brothers and sisters sold to the husband of the other sister their shares in real estate owned by Ichabod deceased.

In the record of the birth of Isaac³ Doty his name was written "Doty"; and in the records of his marriage and of the births of his children the name was written "Dotty". These records were printed in full, in the first, second and thirteenth volumes of this magazine.

On 30 April, 1724, the widow signed her bond, as administratrix, "Martha Doty"; but on 14 April, 1730, she signed her name "Martha Doten".

In the following abstracts the surname is printed in the form found in the original document or record, in each case.

We here print exhaustive abstracts of all records, and original documents in the files, in the Plymouth County and Barnstable County, Mass., Probate Registries, relating to the estates of Isaac³ Doty and his son Neriah⁴; and of two deeds, recorded at Plymouth, which show that the son Ichabod⁴ died without issue.

[Isaac³ Doty's Estate]

[Plym. Co. Prob. 4: 398] On 30 April, 1724, "Martha Doty of Plymouth . . . . Widdow to Isaac Doty late of Plymouth . . . . Husbandman Dec^{d} . . . . Intestate" was appointed administratrix of his estate.

[From unrecorded bond] On 30 April, 1724, "Martha Doty", as administratrix, with "John Faunce Sen" and "thomas Faunce Juner" as sureties, all of Plymouth, gave a bond for £200. The witnesses were Timothy White and David Shurtleff.

[From original warrant] On 30 April, 1724, "Isaac Lothrop Esqr Capt John Dyer & M^{r} Thomas Holmes all of Plymouth" were appointed to appraise the estate. [Also recorded, 4: 456]

[From original inventory] "An Inventory of the Estate of m[r] Isaac Doty" was taken by the three appraisers, 16 July, 1724. The real estate was "the Dwelling House & barn & about 132 Acres of Land & meadow" £924; "a Share in y[e] Cedar Swamp at South Meadows in Plimton" £12; "120 Acres of Land in Plymouth" £5. The three appraisers and Martha Doty, administratrix, made oath to the inventory, 7 August, 1724, before Isaac Winslow, Judge of Probate. [Also recorded, 4: 449]

[Barnstable Co. Prob., 4: 213] "An Inventory of the Real Estate of Isaac Doty Late of Plymouth Deceased lying In the County of Barnstable" was taken by John Bacon, Samuel Annable and Nathaniel Otis. It was not sworn to and was not dated, but was recorded after an inventory sworn to on 5 August, 1724, and before an administration dated 30 October, 1724. The only item was: "one peice or parcell of Meadow lying In welles Creeck at Sandy Neck formerly In partnership, w[th] Col: Jn[o] Goreham being half the Lott the whole Lott Containing Eliven Acres be y[e] same more or Less we prise at Ten pounds"

[Plym. Co. Prob., from original account] The account of Martha Doty, administratrix, dated 26 July, 1725, was allowed, by Isaac Winslow, Judge of Probate. One item was "her time & Expence in gathering in of debts & paying debts with her Jorneys to Barnstable & marshfield" £4. [Also recorded, 5 : 87]

[Plym. Co. Prob., 5 : 677] On 14 April, 1730, "To m[rs] martha Doten of Plym[o] . . . . Whereas your Daughter Rebekah Doten who is a minor under . . . . twenty one years & above . . . . fourteen years hath made Choice of you to be her Guardian" the choice was approved.

[From unrecorded bond] On 14 April, 1730, "Martha Doten", as guardian of Rebecca Doten, with "thomas holmes" as surety, both of Plymouth, gave a bond for £100. The witnesses were Isaac Lothrop and John Dyer.

[Plym. Co. Prob., 5: 677] On 14 April, 1730, "To Isaac Lothrop Esq[r] of Plym[o] . . . . Whereas Neriah Doten the son of Isaac Doten late of Plym[o] afores[d] Deceased who is a minor under . . . . twenty one years & above . . . . fourteen years hath made [p. 678] Made Choice of you to be his Guardian" the choice was approved.

[From unrecorded bond] On 14 April, 1730, Isaac Lothrop, as guardian of "Neriah Doten the son of Isaac Doten . . . .

deceased", with John Dyer, as surety, both of Plymouth, gave a bond for £100. The witnesses were Thomas Holmes and Isaac Doten.

[5: 678] On 14 April, 1730, "To Captⁿ Jnº Dyer of Plymº . . . . Whereas Jabez Doten the son of Isaac Doten late of Plymº . . . . Decᵈ who is a minor under . . . . twenty one years & above . . . . fourteen years hath made Choice of you to be his Guardian" the choice was approved.

[From unrecorded bond] On 14 April, 1730, John Dyer, as guardian of Jabez Doten, with Isaac Lothrop as surety, both of Plymouth, gave a bond for £100. The witnesses were Thomas Holmes and Isaac Doten.

[5: 679] On 14 April, 1730, "mʳˢ Martha Doten of Plymº" was appointed guardian of "your son Ichabod Doten who is a minor Under yᵉ age of fourteen years"

[From unrecorded bond] On 14 April, 1730, "Martha Doten" as guardian of "Ichabod Doten", with Thomas Holmes as surety, both of Plymouth, gave a bond for £100. The witnesses were Isaac Lothrop and John Dyer.

[5: 680] On 14 April, 1730, "mʳˢ martha Doten of Plymº . . . . Widow" was appointed guardian of "your Daughter Mary Doten who is a minor Under yᵉ age of fourteen years"

[From unrecorded bond] On 14 April, 1730, "Martha Doten" as guardian of Mary Doten, with Thomas Holmes as surety, both of Plymouth, gave a bond for £100. The witnesses were Isaac Lothrop and John Dyer.

[6: 143] "A Division of yᵉ Personal Estate of Isaac Doten late of Plymº Decᵈ" was made 14 April, 1730, by Isaac Lothrop, John Dyer and Thomas Holmes, all of whom made oath to the division on 20 May, 1730, before Isaac Winslow, Judge of Probate. The division was allowed 20 May, 1730.

The value of the articles set off to the heirs was: "To widow Martha Doten" £73, 10s., 3d., she "To Receive of Jane" £1, 13s., 7d.; "To Isaac Doten" £32, 13s., 6d.; "To Elizabeth Doten" £16, 6s., 9d., she "To Receive of Jane" 15s., 2d., and "To Receive of Neriah & Jabez" 1s., 10d.; "To Jane Doten" £18, 15s., 6d., she "To pay to her mother" £1, 13s., 7d., and "To Pay to Elizabeth" 15s., 2d.; "To Rebekah Doten" £16, 6s., 9d., she "To Receive of Neriah & Jabez" 1s., 6d.; "To Neriah & Jabez Doten" £32, 17s., 6d.; "To Ichabod & Mary Doten" £32, 17s., 9d.

[7: 183] "The Settlement of yᵉ Housing & Lands & real

Estate of Isaac Doten late of Plymouth . . . . Deceased Intestate To the Widow & amongst the Children of y^e^ s^d^ Deceas^d^" was made 15 March, 1735/6, "The s^d^ Estate being Divided . . . . in manner following" by Capt. John Dyer, Thomas Holmes, Samuel Nelson, Deacon John Atwood and John Winslow.

"Having Set off to M^rs^ Martha Doten Relict Widow of y^e^ s^d^ Deceas^d^ her Thirds or Dower in y^e^ Housing & Lands & real Estate of y^e^ s^d^ Isaac Doten in manner following a Part of y^e^ Dwelling house Namely the Great Room a Small Bed Room which opens out of y^e^ Leanto the Southerly third of the Cellar the Southerly third Part of y^e^ Garrett with Liberty of Baking in the Oven in the Kitchin One third Part of the Priviledge of the Well As also a Benefit of a Way to it And also Conveniency of laying fire Wood Likewise a certain Garden Spot adjoyning to the House Bounded as follows Beginning at the Northerly Corner of s^d^ House then North 15 . Degrees West 4 Rods & 12 . feet & thence North 63 . Degrees East 4 . Rods & 7 . feet from thence South 30 . Degrees East 4 . Rods & 12 feet and thence on [p. 184] on a Strait Line to the Corner of y^e^ House first mentioned . also One other Part of y^e^ Clear Land between the Countrey Road and the Sea Beginning at the Partition Fence as it now Stands and from thence to Extend as the Fence now Stands Northerly across the Land afores^d^ thence to Extend Westerly 20 . Rods & 10 . feet to two heaps of Stones one on the Southerly Side by Crandons Land & the other Northerly by Tinkcom's & so on a Straight Line from one Heap of Stones to the other across y^e^ Lot With one third Part of all the Fruit of all Sorts that may grow on any of the Trees now standing on any Part of s^d^ Land — also a Certain Piece or Parcell of Wood Land bounded as follows on the Southerly Corner of y^e^ Land of John Crandon at a Stone Set in y^e^ Ground at y^e^ Head of s^d^ Lot with Several trees marked round it thence to Extend North West across s^d^ Land to Tinkcoms range 39 . Rods to a Stake then North Easterly by Tinkcoms Range 67 . Rods then South East by a Range of Marked trees across s^d^ Lot to y^e^ Land of John Crandon then South West to y^e^ Land first Mentioned Also a Piece of meadow at a Place called Dotens meadow in Plimton . . . . Bounded Beginning at a red Oak tree marked & from thence to Extend South 5 Degrees & a half East across the s^d^ Meadow to a Ditch on the Southerly Side having a large white oak tree markt in the Range And thence by y^e^ Ditch Westerly to y^e^ meadow of Fullers Heirs & thence

by a Ditch to the tree first mentioned — As also the Westerly third Part of y^e^ Barn with Priviledge of Threshing her Grain on the Barn Floor All which Part of y^e^ s^d^ Housing & Lands as above described & bounded with the Priviledges & appurtenances thereunto belonging is hereby Settled upon her y^e^ s^d^ Martha Doten . . . . during her natural Life as her Thirds or Dower in s^d^ real Estate"

"The rest & residue of s^d^ real Estate being divided into nine equal Parts Five of which are laid together in a Body as to y^e^ Homestead Wood Land & meadow and is Bounded as followeth . Beginning at y^e^ South Westerly Corner of s^d^ Deceasds Land & from thence to Extend by y^e^ Road 18 Rods & 11 . feet & from thence North 59: Degrees & three quarters East across y^e^ Widows Thirds of Dower down to the Water Side as far as the Land Extends as also a Piece of Land above y^e^ Road Beginning at Crandons North Easterly Corner Bound and from thence by y^e^ Road . 18 . Rods to a Stone Set in the Ground and from thence South 59 . Degrees & a half West 73 . Rods to a Stake South 47 . Degrees West by a Range of marked trees 75 . Rods to y^e^ Land Set to the Widow for her Dower and from thence South East to Crandon's Range and from thence to y^e^ Bounds first mentioned. One other Piece of Wood land Beginning at the Corner Bounds of John Crandon in John Watson Esq^r^ deceased his Range and from thence North West 22 . Rods to a Stake then South West 180 . Rods to a Pine Sapling marked in Nathaniel Holmes his Range & from thence South East 22 . Rods to s^d^ Watson deceas^d^ Land being a Stake & Heap of Stones being a Corner Bound of s^d^ Land and from thence by s^d^ Watsons Range to the Bound first mentioned. Also one Piece of meadow & is bounded Beginning 23 . Rods East from the red oak first Mentioned in y^e^ Setting off the Widows Dower in the meadow & from thence South 5 . Degrees & 30 minutes East to the Ditch across the s^d^ meadow having a red Oak tree on the Northerly Side in the Range and a Stake on the Southerly Side in a Ditch and all y^e^ meadow & Upland adjoyning on the Easterly Side of this Line home to y^e^ Meadow of John Doten to belong & appertain to these five Shares and that also the Housing & Buildings appertain to these five Shares Except what is before Set to the Widow as her Dower The s^d^ five Shares are hereby Settled upon Isaac Doten the Eldest Son of y^e^ s^d^ Deceased and to Elizabeth Studley the Wife of John Studley of Hanover in the County

afores^{d} who is one of the Daughters of y^{e} s^{d} Deceased and to Jane Palmer the Wife of John Palmer jun^{r} of Scittuate in the County afores^{d} who is one of y^{e} Daughters of y^{e} s^{d} Deceased and to Rebekah Doten of Plymouth in y^{e} County afores^{d} one of the Daughters of y^{e} s^{d} Deceas^{d} according to their laying out. The first & Second Shares being the Southerly Part for Quantity With two Shares in the Buildings Except what is Set to y^{e} Widow with the Priviledges & Appurtenances thereunto belonging: is hereby Settled upon him y^{e} s^{d} Isaac Doten his Heirs and Assigns forever"

"The third Share for Quantity lying next to the Second Share with one fifth Part of y^{e} Buildings Except what is Set to the Widow Also to this third Share the Easterly ninth Part of y^{e} Cedar Swamp in Plimton . . . . and the Southerly ninth Part of the Pine Lot below Ellis's which was laid out to y^{e} s^{d} Deceas^{d} All which third Share as above described with the Priviledges & appurtenances thereunto belonging is hereby Settled upon her the s^{d} Elizabeth Studley her Heirs & assigns forever"

[p. 185] "The fourth Part or Share for Quantity lying next to the third Share with one fift Part of the Buildings Except what is Set to the Widow also to this fourth Share is Set one other Ninth Part on y^{e} Southerly Side next to the third Share in the afores^{d} Pine Lot all which fourth Share as Above described with the Priviledges & Appurtenances thereunto belonging is hereby Settled upon her y^{e} s^{d} Jane Palmer her Heirs and assigns: forever"

"The fift Part or Share for Quantity lying next to the fourth Share with one fifth Part of y^{e} Buildings Except what is Set to the Widow also to this fifth Share is Set one other ninth Part next adjoyning to the fourth Share in the forementioned Pine Lot all which fift Part or Share as above described with the Priviledges & appurtenances thereunto belonging is hereby Settled upon her y^{e} s^{d} Rebekah Doten to her Heirs & assigns forever"

"The Sixth Part or Share (viz.) that Part below y^{e} Way Beginning at the fift Share & from thence to Extend Northerly on the Road 3 Rods & 12 . feet and from thence to Extend North 61 . Degrees and three quarters East to the Bay crossing the Widows Dower one other Piece above y^{e} Way bounded Beginning at y^{e} Stone mentioned in the five first Shares then Northerly by y^{e} Road 10 . Rods thence to Extend South 59 .

Degrees and a half West 73 . Rods & from thence South East to the fift Lot and from thence by the fift Lot to the first Bounds as also one other Piece of Land lying at the head of y^e^ last mentioned Bounds Beginning at a Stake being a Bound in the fift Lot and from thence North West 6 . Rods and from thence South 47 . Degrees West 75 . Rods to y^e^ Widows Dower then South West by her Range to the fift Lot and from thence to the first Bounds . Also one Piece of meadow beginning at the Line of the fift Lot thence to Extend West 6 . Rods & a half & from thence South 5 . Degrees & a half East across the meadow to the Ditch on y^e^ Southerly Side also the Southerly half Part of the five acres of Land laid out to the Deceased at or adjoyning to Dotens meadow the above^sd^ Sixth Part or Share as above described with y^e^ Priviledges & appurtenances thereunto belonging is hereby Settled upon Neriah Doten one of the Sons of y^e^ s^d^ Deceased to him his Heirs & assigns forever"

"The Seventh Part or Share is bounded as followeth (viz:) one Piece below y^e^ Road bounded beginning at the Sixth Share & from thence to Extend Northerly by y^e^ Road 3 Rods & 12 . feet & from thence North 62 Degrees & a half East to the Water Side crossing the Widows Thirds & from thence to the Sixth Share & so by the Sixth Share to the first Bounds, one other Piece above y^e^ Way & is the remainder of y^e^ Land lying below y^e^ Widows Dower between y^e^ Sixth Share & y^e^ land of Hilkiah Tinkcom & is 15 . Rods in the front by the Road also one Piece of meadow which is bounded as followeth Beginning at the Northerly Corner of the Sixth Lot thence West 6 . Rods thence South 5 . Degrees & an half East across the meadow to the Ditch on the Southerly Side thereof as also the Northerly Half Part of y^e^ five Acres laid out to the Deceased adjoyning to Doten s^d^ meadow The afores^d^ Seventh Part or Share as afore described with the Priviledges & appurtenances thereunto belonging is hereby Settled upon Jabez Doten One of the Sons of y^e^ s^d^ Deceased to him his Heirs & assigns forever"

"The Eight Share is as followeth (viz) One Piece below the Road bounded beginning at y^e^ Seventh Share & then Northerly by y^e^ Road 3 Rods & 12 feet & from thence to Extend North 61 Degrees & three quarters East to the Water Side across the Widows Dower so far as the Land extends also one other Piece on the South Westerly Side of the Widows Dower bounded beginning at the Corner of the fifth Lot in the

upper Division & from thence North West 10 . Rods & from thence South West 180: to Nathan[l] Holmes his Line and from thence to the fift Lot & so by the fift Lot to the Bound first mentioned as also one Piece of meadow bounded beginning at y[e] Northerly Corner of the Seventh Lot and from thence East 5 Rods and a half & from thence south 5 . Degrees & a half East across the s[d] meadow to a Ditch As also the Sixth remaining or Northerly Part of y[e] Pine Lot before mentioned The afores[d] eight Lot as above described with the Priviledges & appurtenances thereunto belonging is hereby Settled upon Ichabod Doten one of the Sons of y[e] s[d] Deceased to him his Heirs & assigns forever"

"The ninth is as followeth (viz:) One Piece below the Road bounded beginning at y[e] Eight & from thence to Extend North 61 . Degrees East to the Bay & is 3 Rods & 12 . feet at y[e] Road then adjoyning to Tinkcoms Land also one Piece of meadow 5 Rods wide between the Widows Dower and the eight Lot also one Piece of Land above the Widows Dower 14 . Rods wide between Tinkcom's Land and the eight Lot & extends South West 180 . Rods also the remaining or Westerly Eight ninth Parts [p. 186] Parts of the Cedar Swamp in Plimton Which s[d] ninth Share with the Priviledges & appurtenances thereunto belonging is hereby Settled upon Mary Doten one of the Daughters of y[e] s[d] Deceased her Heirs and assigns forever"

"It is also Intended & Directed that Each of y[e] nine Shares & y[e] Widows Dower shall have Liberty of Convenient Ways through Each others Property through Gates or Bars"

"An accompt of the Charge on the Division of the Estate" showed payments as follows: "To Capt. Jn[o] Dyer 7½ Days @ 10s" £3, 15s., "To his horse & travell" 12s.; "To M[r] Thomas Holmes 7½ Days @ 10s." and "his Horse" £4, 7s.; "To M[r] Sam[l] Nelson 7½ Days @ 10s." and "his horse" £4, 7s.; "To Deacon John Atwood 7½ Days" and "his horse" £4, 7s.; "To John Winslow 6 Days with Compass" £4, 10s., and "1½ Day without" 15s., and "Horse" 12s.; "To M[rs] Martha Doty for Entertainm[t]" £1, 2s., 6d.; "To Isaac Doty for Entertainm[t] at Sundry Places" £3, 6s., 4d.

"Plymouth March . 29 . 1736 . The Within accompt was Presented, & allowed . . . . and the Heirs of the Within Named Isaac Doty are hereby ordered & Directed to Pay their respective Parts of y[e] Same according to their Several Interest."

"a Coppy" of the foregoing division is also preserved in the probate files.

[Neriah Doten's Will]

[From original will] "Neriah Doten of Plymouth . . . . Cordwainer" made his will 22 June, 1738. Bequests were as follows:

"My Will is that all my Just Debts & Funerall Charges be first Pay^{d} out of my Goods Chattles Rights or Creditts . . . . and the Remainder (if any their be) I Give and bequeath unto my Honour^{d} Mother M^{rs} Martha Doten"

To "my Brother Jabez Doten of Plymouth . . . . Joyner all the Right, Title & Intrest that I now have or might by any way or meens have in that Part of the Estate that was my Honoured Father Isaac Dotens Decease^{d}, and is now Settled, on my s^{d} Mother and In her Improvement for & During her Naturall Life"

"my s^{d} Mother Martha, and Brother Jabez Doten to be sole Exec^{rs}"

The will was signed "Neriah Doten".

The witnesses were John Doten, Benjamin Holmes and James Hovey.

Benjamin Holmes and James Hovey made oath to the will "of the above named Neriah Doten", 4 December, 1738, before Isaac Winslow, Judge of Probate. It was probated at Marshfield, 5 December, 1738, and administration granted to "M^{rs} Martha Doten, mother of the s^{d} deceased and one of Executors in the same Will named, Jabesh Doten brother of the s^{d} deceased and the other Executor . . . . haveing Refused the Executorship" [Also recorded, 7: 455]

[8: 65] On 4 December, 1738, "M^{r} Thomas Holmes M^{r} Sam^{l} Nelson & M^{r} John Attwood all of Plymouth" were appointed to appraise the estate "Both Real & Personal that Neriah Doten Late of Plymouth Dyed Seized of"

The inventory was taken 15 May, 1739. "Cordwainers Tools" were valued at £1, 3s.; "Land & meadow at Plympton" £15.

The three appraisers, and Martha Doty, the executrix, made oath to the inventory, 18 May, 1739. The name of the deceased was incorrectly written "Nehemiah" Doty in the two acknowledgments, but the recording clerk, in each case, put crosses above the name to call attention to the error.

[Doten, Palmer, Studley, Warren to Bartlett]

[Plym. Co. Deeds, 40: 146] On 19 August, 1749, "Isaac Doten of Plymouth . . . . Mariner, Jabez Doten of the City of New York Joyner, John Palmer Jun[r] of Scituate in y[e] County of Plymouth and Jane his Wife John Studley of Hanover in the County afores[d] Cordwainer & Elizabeth his Wife, and Rebecca Warren of Plymouth afores[d] Widow, for" £14, 11s., 7d., "in Bills of Credit on this Province", sold to "Lemuel Bartlett of Plymouth afores[d] Fisherman . . . . Five Sixth Parts of A certain Piece of Land containing Two Acres more or less lying in Plimouth aforesaid Bounded beginning by the Road at the Southerly Corner of the Land belonging to Mary the Wife of the said Lemuel Bartlett, and from thence to Extend by the Road South Easterly three Rods and twelve feet to Jackson's Land, and from thence to Extend North Sixty one Degrees and three quarters East to the Bay, and then bounded by the Bay to the Land of said Mary Bartlett and then bounded in her Range to the Bounds first Mentioned"

The deed was signed by the seven grantors. Joseph Bartlett, Jr., Lemuel Jackson, Elijah Cushing and Sarah Studley witnessed the signatures of Isaac Doten, Jabez Doten, John Palmer, Jr., Jane Palmer and Rebecca Warren, and these five grantors acknowledged the deed, 19 August, 1749, before Thomas Foster, Justice of the Peace.

On 31 August, 1749, "The above named John Studley and Elizabeth Studley his Wife Acknowledged" the deed, before Elijah Cushing, Justice of the Peace.

The deed was recorded, 19 December, 1749.

[Lemuel and Mary Bartlett to Lemuel Jackson]

[Plym. Co. Deeds, 41: 231] On 14 May, 1752, "Lemuel Bartlett of Plymouth . . . . Seafairing Man, And Mary Bartlett Wife of y[e] said Lemuel", for £40, sold to "Lemuel Jackson of Plymouth . . . . Shoreman . . . . All that our Piece or Parcell of Land Containing by Estimation four acres . . . . in Plymouth afores[d] on y[e] Northerly Part of s[d] Town, on y[e] Easterly Side of y[e] Kings Road or High Way, and is about One Half of s[d] Premises, The Same that was Settled on y[e] s[d] Mary in y[e] Settlement of y[e] Estate of our Honoured Father M[r] Isaac Doten Deceased, and y[e] other Half thereof was belonging to y[e] Heirs of our Brother Ichabod Doten deceased, Five Sixth

Parts thereof the s^d Lemuel Bartlett Bought & Purchased of Isaac Doten of s^d Plymouth and others as may appear by their Deed to him Dated the 19^th day of August 1749 . Bounded Beginning by the Road at the Southerly Corner of the Land, that was Hilkiah Tinkcoms late of s^d Plymouth Deceased, and from thence to Extend by the Road South Easterly about Seven Rods and Eight feet until it comes to the Land of s^d Lemuel Jackson, and from thence to extend North Sixty one Degrees and three Quarters East to the Bay, and then bounded by the Bay until it comes to the Land that was y^e aboves^d Tinkcoms now the Land of Samuel Nelson, and then Bounded in s^d Nelsons Range & on a Strait Line up the Road to y^e Bound first Mentioned."

Lemuel Bartlett's signature was witnessed by Samuel Bartlett and Seth Barnes, Jr. Mary's was witnessed by Samuel Bartlett and Rebecca Warren.

The deed was acknowledged by Lemuel Bartlett, on 14 May, 1752, and by Mary Bartlett, on 2 June, 1752, both before Samuel Bartlett, Justice of the Peace, and was recorded, 9 June, 1752.

THE ESTATE OF THOMAS TOMSON³ OF HALIFAX AND THE WILL OF HIS WIDOW MARY

By the Editor

Thomas Tomson³, son of John Tomson and his wife Mary² Cooke (*Francis*¹), was born at Barnstable, Plymouth Colony, on 19 October, 1664, and was married, at Middleborough, Mass., on 13 December, 1715, by Rev. Peter Thacher, to Mary Morton⁴, daughter of John Morton and his wife Mary Ring³ (*Deborah*² *Hopkins, Stephen*¹) of that town. Mary Morton⁴ was born at Plymouth, 15 December, 1689.

Thomas and Mary (Morton) Tomson had seven children, all recorded at Middleborough:

Reuben Tomson⁴, born 11 October, 1716; married, first, Mary Tomson⁴ (*Jacob*³, *Mary*² *Cooke, Francis*¹); married, second, Sarah (Bryant) (Soule) Tomson.

Mary Tomson⁴, born 8 May, 1718, married, as his first wife, Samuel Waterman⁵ (*Mary Cushman*⁴, *Isaac*³, *Mary*² *Allerton, Isaac*¹). She died 9 April, 1756.

Thomas Tomson[4], born 21 April, 1720, married Mary Loring.

Amasa Tomson[4], born 18 April, 1722, married Lydia Cobb[5] (*John[4], Rachel[3] Soule, John[2], George[1]*).

Andrew Tomson[4], born 20 March, 1724/5, died, unmarried, before 29 September, 1742.

Ebenezer Tomson[4], born 11 March, 1725/6, married Mary Wright[5] (*Isaac[4], Adam[3], Hester[2] Cooke, Francis[1]*).

Zebadiah Tomson[4], born 18 August, 1728, married Zerviah[5] Standish (*Moses[4], Ebenezer[3], Alexander[2], Myles[1]*).

The death of Thomas Tomson[3] was entered on the Halifax, Mass., records as follows: "Mr Thomas Tomson Senior Dyed october the 26th 1742"*. The inscription on his gravestone in the Thompson Street Cemetery in that town reads: "Here lyes interrd ye Body of Mr Thomas Tomson who died Octobr ye 26th 1742 aged 78 years His days were spent in doing good In Life & death Faith was his food Like him be pious just & kind Then peace & joy at Death you'l find".

The inscription on his wife's gravestone, in the same cemetery, reads: "In memory of Mrs Mary, widow of Mr Thomas Tomson who died March 20th 1781 . In ye 91st year of her age."

According to the probate records of Plymouth County, an administrator on Thomas Tomson's estate was appointed "the twenty ninth day of September", 1742, nearly a month before the date of his death as given on town records and gravestone. The original bond of the administrators and the original warrant for the inventory were both dated 12 January, 1742, which would be 23 January, 1743, in New Style dating, and the inventory was taken 13 July, 1743.

The present writer has not yet been able to determine the date of Thomas Tomson's death, but it is evident that it must have occurred on or before 26 October, 1742.

All dates of birth, marriage and death given in this article have been printed in full in earlier numbers of this magazine†, from the original records of Barnstable, Plymouth, Middleborough and Halifax, Mass. A number of these dates were not printed in the "Genealogy of Descendants of John Thomson"‡, and the births of Amasa and Ebenezer were there printed

* See "Vital Records of the Town of Halifax", page 1, published by this Society.

† See Volumes 1 to 4 inclusive, and 6, 7, 14.

‡ Lansing, Mich., 1890.

in New Style, although the Middleborough records give all in Old Style.

Widow Mary (Morton) Tomson made her will on 1 May, 1756, three weeks after the death of her daughter Mary (Tomson) Waterman, but it was not probated until 4 July, 1781, nearly twenty-five years after it was made.

We here print exhaustive abstracts of all original documents in the files, and of all records, in the Plymouth County, Mass., Registry of Probate, relating to the estates of Thomas Tomson³ and his widow Mary (Morton) Tomson.

[The Estate of Thomas Tomson³]

[Plym. Co. Prob., 9: 22] On "the twenty ninth day of September Anno Domini, 1742", "Ruben Tomson Husbandman, Mary Tomson widdow both of Hallifax John Murdoch of Plymouth Esqr & Ebenezer Morton of Middlebor^o" were appointed administrators on the estate of "Thomas Tompson late of Hallifax . . . . Deceas^d . . . . Intestate"

[From unrecorded bond] On 12 January, 1742, Reuben Tomson, husbandman, and Mary Tomson, widow, "both of Hallifax", with John Murdoch, Esq., of Plymouth, and Ebenezer Morton of Middleborough, gave a bond for £5000. The bond was signed by "Reuben Tomson", Mary Tomson (by a mark), "John murdoch" and Ebenezer Morton. The witnesses were Perez Tillson and Edward Winslow.

[From original warrant] On 12 January, 1742, "Thomas Croade of Hallifax Ebenezer Morton & Jacob Tompson both of Middleborough Gent^m" were appointed to appraise the estate. [Also recorded, 9: 201]

[9: 95] "An Inventory of the Estate Real & Personall of m^r Thomas Tomson late of Hallifax deceas'd" was taken, 13 July, 1743, by Thomas Croade, Ebenezer Morton and Jacob Tomson, and was sworn to on that day, by Reuben Tomson and Mary Tomson, the administrators.

Interesting items in the personal estate were: "Books" £6, 11s.; "One Negro woman" £100; "One negro Girl" £90; "two Ink horns" 4s.; "a pew in the meeting house" £15; "his interest in a Stable at y^e meeting house" £4; "his Stock of Cattle horses Sheep & Swine" £350, 14s.; "Debts Due to the Estate" £1786, 1s., 2d. The total personal estate was £3075, 12s., 1d.

The real estate was: "His homestead & lands adjacent" £3955; "25 Acres and half on Hemlock Island" £76; "4 Acres by Benj[a] Curtis" £16; "His Right in the Second Lott in Majors Purchase" £20; "His half Lott of Meadow in the uper meadow in middlebor[o]" £8; "His meadow at Winnatuxet meadow bot of Job Simons" £48; "His Two acres of meadow which is part of a Twelve Acre lott Originally Jacob Cookes with the One third part of the Six Acres of land laid out to the Right of s[d] Cook adjoyning thereto" £16; "His Meadow Called Howlands meadow" £75; "His meadow Called Cobbs meadow" £80; "His 50 Acres of Upland on Winnatuxet neck" £100; "His two lotts in y[e] 3[d] Allotment in y[e] Sixteen shilling purchase vizt the 162 lott & y[e] 163 lot Containing 40 Acres Each" £80; "His percell of land being the Easterly End of y[e] 2[d] lott in Lothrops purchase Containing 98 Acres" £250; "His 10 Acres out of the 5[th] Lott in s[d] Loth: pur:" £20; "His Eighth Lot in s[d] purchase Containing"*; "His 7[th] lot in Snipatuit purchase Containing 58 Ac[s] ¾" £88; "His Six acres and half of Cedar Swamp lying adjoyning to y[e] north End of Snipat pond" £10; "His 96 Acres being part of the pine wood land in said purchase" £80; "His Share in black brook Cedar Swamp in said purchase" £30; "His 17[th] Lot of land in s[d] purchase Containing 214 Acres" £428; "His 18[th] Lot in s[d] purchase Containing 215 Acres" £537.

"His land in the South purchase vizt The 10[th] Lot" £40, "The 12[th] Lot" £20, "The 90[th] Lot" £60, "The 103[d] Lot" £20, "The 119[th] Lot" £15, "The little Share in his Own Right being y[e] 16[th] part of y[e] 44[th] Lot" 15 shillings, "In the right of Ab[m] Barden y[e] 20[th] part of y[e] 118[th] lot" 15 shillings, "In the right of Jos: Barden y[e] 18[th] part of y[e] first of y[e] Lots Receivd by y[e] propr[s] when y[e] Com[o] Land was Sold" 15 shillings.

"His 100 Acres in y[e] 12 mehs purchase in the first Division being in Number the 9[th] Lott" £175; "His lands he bought of W[m] Cook, Viz[t] the 143 Lot in the uper Division of Marshfield Commons Containing 27 Acres & ½" £55; "The 108[th] Lott in s[d] division Containing 32 Acres" £32; "¾ of the 103[d] & 109[th] lotts in s[d] Division Containing the whole Lots 61 Acres" £45; "11 Shillings & 5[d] right in y[e] 106 lot in s[d] Division the whole Lott being 31 Acres" £17; "16 Acres of land and meadow by Cooks mill in Duxborough upon pine brook" £20; "A Gore of land near Joseph Holmes to y[e] Southward of the Roade to

* This item was not finished.

Kingston ab^{t} 4 Acres" £4; "Half an Acre said Cook bought of Elisha Stetson for a landing place with a way" £10; "14 acres of Cedar Swamp in the majors Purchase in s^{d} Division in 4th Lot" £42; "4 Acres of Cedar Swamp Joyning to Rob^{t} Watermans meadow in Hallifax" £2; "His 3/8 of a grist mill in Hallifax" £150; "His 3/8 of a Saw mill in Hallifax" £100; "His 8th part of another Saw mill in Hallifax" £15; "His 16th part of y^{e} Furnace in Hallifax" £55; "His meadow Ground bought of Tim^{o} wood" £24.

The total amount of the inventory, real and personal, in old tenor, was £9895, 11s., 1d.

[From original warrant] On 14 July, 1743, "Thomas Croad Esq^{r} Barnabas Tomson & Jaco[b] Tomson all of Hallifax & Ebenezer morton & Jacob Tom[son] of middleboro . . . . Freeholders" were appointed "to Divide The Real Estate of M^{r} Thomas Tomson Late of Halli[fax] afores^{d} Yeoman Dec^{d} To & among his Children Ru[ben] Tomson Mary waterman Thomas Tomson Amasa Tomson Ebenezer Tomson & Zebediah Tomson . . . . and assign & Set out by meets an[d] Bounds to Each of y^{e} s^{d} Children one Seventh par[t] Thereof Saving out of y^{e} Same to y^{e} s^{d} Ruben the Eldest Son a Dou[ble] Portion . . . . y^{o} are also Directed to Sett out to s^{d} Chilldren their parts of y^{e} Parsonal Estate of s^{d} Dec^{d} . . . . having Consideration in y^{e} Settlem^{t} of what was advanced to any of them by y^{e} Dec^{d} in his Life time but first setting to y^{e} widdow one third Thereof" [Also recorded, 9: 202]

[From original petition] On 14 July, 1743, "Ebenezer Tomson of Hallifax . . . . a minor son of Thomas Tomson of s^{d} Hallifax Late Dec^{d}" named "my mother mary Tomson of s^{d} Hallifax to be my Guardian". The witnesses were "Reuben Tomson" and "Amasa Tomson". [Also recorded, 9: 135]

[9: 104] On 14 July, 1743, "Mary Tomson of Hallifax . . . . widdow" was appointed guardian of Ebenezer Tomson.

[From unrecorded bond] On 14 July, 1743, "Mary Tomson of Hallifax widdo" as guardian of Ebenezer Tomson, with "Ebenezer Morton of Middleboro Gen^{t}" as surety, gave a bond for £500. The witnesses were John Whitman and Perez Tillson. Mary Tomson signed by a mark.

[9: 104] On 14 July, 1743, "Zebadiah Tomson of Hallifax . . . . a Minor son of Thomas Tomson Deceas^{d}" requested the appointment of "my mother Mary Tomson of s^{d} Hallifax widdow to be my Guardian", and, he having acknowledged the

petition, she was appointed his guardian the same day. The petition was witnessed by John Whitman and Perez Tillson.

[From unrecorded bond] On 14 July, 1743, "Mary Tomson of Hallifax widdo" as guardian of Zebadiah Tomson, with "Ebenezer Morton of Middleboro Gen^t" as surety, gave a bond for £500. Mary Tomson signed by a mark. The witnesses were John Whitman and Perez Tillson.

[9: 202] On 18 December, 1743, Thomas Croade, Ebenezer Morton and Jacob Tomson divided the estate, as follows:

"First we Assigned & Set of to m^rs Mary Tomson the widdow" £1058, 6s., 1d. "old tenour being One third part of the personal Estate after debts & Charges are first deducted"

"Then we proceeded to divide . . . . the whole Real Estate together with the Remaining two thirds of the personal Estate to and Among the Six Children . . . . as followeth"

To "Ruben Tomson the Eldest son . . . . a double share or two seventh parts thereof, viz^t a Certain part of the s^d Deceasds homested being the Easterly part thereof whereon s^d Ruben & Job Simmons now dwell Containing about One hundred forty five Acres & half . . . . bounded . . . . begining at y^e Northerly Corner bound of y^t peice of land which the s^d Deceasd formerly gave to the Town of Hallifax for a burying place being a long Stone Set in the Ground, from thence Ranging north [p. 203] north Seventeen Degrees Westerly thirty Six pole to a Small white Oake Marked with Stones about it by the South side of Bridgwater Roade and so Crossing the Road, and from thence bounded by the roade till it comes to Peter Tomsons land and so to include all that part of the s^d homestead which lyeth there adjoyning together on the Easterly and notherly side of the s^d bounds, allso his two Acres of meadow which was formerly Jacob Cooks lying in the Meadow Called Winnatuxet Meadows and on the Southerly side of Colchester brooke (so called) together with his third Part of Six Acres of land Adjoyning; Also all his Right and Intrest in an Eight Acre lott of meadow which did formerly belong unto John Cob of Plymouth lying on both Sides of Winatuxet River in the meadow Called Winatuxet meadow; Allso the eighteenth lott in Number in the purchase of land Called Snipatuit purchase Containing two hundred & fifteen Acres; Allso One half of his fourteen Acres of Cedar swamp in the Majors purchase which he bought of William Cook; allso One fifth part of that twenty Acre lot of land which did formerly belong unto Edward May Deceas^d which he bought of Israel May; Allso Three quarters of the

hundred & third & hundred and ninth Lots in number in the uper division of Marshfield Commons the whole lots Containing Sixty One Acres which he bought of William Cook: allso Sixteen Acres of land and Meadow which he bought of s^d^ Cook bounded by pine brook lying on y^e^ Southerly side thereof near a Saw mill in Duxbor^o^; Allso the One half of his fifty Acres of land lying on the Neck of land called Winatuxet Neck Allso One Eighth part of a Saw mill near the Furnace in Hallifax; allso the One Six part of his Three Eights of the Gristmill Standing on the brook Called Lucas^s^ brook in Hallifax And allso" £526, 8s. "Old tenour of the personal Estate which together with" £92, 2s., 6d. "in Value which he had receivd of his Father in his life time is in full of his double Share or two Seventh Parts of the Afores^d^ Estate"

To "Ebenezer Tomson one of the sons of the s^d^ Deceasd as followeth viz^t^ a Certain percel of his homestead lying on the Southwesterly end thereof Containing About One hundred and fourty Acres . . . . bounded as follows begining at the red Oake tree which is the bounds between s^d^ homestead and the land of Barn^a^ Tomson standing Near the meadow at Winatuxet River, and from thence ranging North Thirty Six degrees & a half Westerly twenty Seven pole to a small white oake Marked with Stones about it; and from thence ranging South Eighty four Degrees and a half Westerly thirteen pole to a Red Oake tree marked on four sides; and from thence [p. 204] thence ranging North Seventy four Degrees westerly thirty Six pole to a long stone Set in y^e^ Ground and from thence south seven degrees and a half westerly seventeen pole to a long stone Set in y^e^ Ground by the river side; and from thence bounded by the river down stream untill it comes To Ephraim Tomsons meadow, and from thence bounded by the Ranges of the Westerly End of s^d^ Homestead untill it comes to y^e^ forked pine tree marked with stones about it On the North side of the Tarpit Vally (so called) and from thence ranging North Eighty two degrees Easterly Eleven pole to a stake with stones about it and from thence Ranging South twenty three degrees & half Easterly About three hundred & nineteen pole to a red Oake marked on four Sides with stones About it at or Near the range of Barnabas Tomsons land; and from thence by y^e^ range of Barnabas Tomsons land South About fifty degrees westerly about forty five pole to y^e^ Red oake first mentiond: Allso his percell of Meadow Ground which he bought of Timothy Wood lying in the twenty Six mens purchase as by s^d^ Woods Deed, Dated" 9 June, 1728

"may Appear: Also y^e^ one half of his fourteen Acres of Cedar swamp in the Majors purchase which he bought of William Cook allso his right in the hundred & Sixth lott in Number in the uper Division of Marshfield Comons which he allso bought of s^d^ William Cook: Allso the hundred & Sixty Second lot in Number in the third allotment in the Sixteen shilling purchase so called—Allso a Sixth part of his three Eighths of the Grist Mill standing on the brook called Lucas^s^ brook; allso One Eighth part of the Saw Mill standing on s^d^ brook Together with" £333, 18s., 7d. "old tenour of the personal Estate which is in full of his Share or one Seventh part of y^e^ Afores^d^ Estate"

To "Zebadiah Tomson one of the sons of the s^d^ Deceasd as followeth viz^t^ a Certain percel of his home stead whereon y^e^ Dwelling house stands containing One hundred Seventy three Acres . . . . bounded . . . . Begining at the South East Corner bound of that parcel of s^d^ Homestead which is set off to Eben^r^ Tomson being a red Oake tree marked on four sides with stones About it at or Near y^e^ range of Barnabas Tomsons land thence ranging North about fifty degrees Easterly by the range of Barnabas Tomsons land about Seventy Eight pole and a half to a maple tree marked at or near the Antient Town Line between Plymton and Middleborough Thence north Sixty two degrees Easterly About twenty pole & a half to the Spruce Tree marked being the South Corner bounds of a twenty Acre lott formerly laid out to John Ryder, from thence North east & by East by the range of s^d^ twenty Acre lott about Eleven pole to a Maple tree marked on four sides with stones about it, and from thence Ranging North Twenty Seven [p. 205] degrees westerly Cross said Homestead About two hundred & Eleven pole to a stake with Stones about it at or Near the Range of the Northerly side of s^d^ homestead & from thence y^e^ Northerly end therof is bounded by the Ranges of s^d^ homestead untill it comes unto that part of s^d^ homestead which is Set of to Ebenezer Tomson afores^d^ and from thence by the s^d^ Ebenezers part South twenty three degrees & half Easterly about three hundred & Nineteen pole to the Red Oake tree first mentiond—Allso a Certain peice of Meadow and Meadow Ground being part of s^d^ homestead Containing about five acres & three quarters . . . . bounded as follows begining at the Red Oake tree which is y^e^ bound between said homestead & y^e^ land of Barnabas Tomson standing near y^e^ Meadow at Winatuxet River which tree is allso the first bound mentiond in Setting off y^e^ aforementiond percel of homestead to y^e^ Afores^d^ Eben^r^ and from thence by the range

of s^d^ Ebenezers part north thirty six degrees and a half westerly Twenty seven pole to a small white Oake marked with Stones About it, and from thence ranging South Eighty four degrees & a half westerly thirteen pole to a red Oake tree marked on four sides, and from thence Ranging North Seventy four Degrees westerly thirty Six pole to a long Stone set in the Ground And from thence South seven degrees & a half Westerly seventeen pole to a long stone set in y^e^ Ground & by the river side and from thence bounded by the River upstream untill it come to Barnabas Tomsons land from thence bounded by his land to the Red Oake tree firstmentiond. Allso a Sixth part of his three Eighths of the Gristmill standing on the brook Called Lucas^s^ brook: Allso one Eighth part of y^e^ Sawmill standing on s^d^ brook Together with the Value of" £127, 18s., 7d. "Old tenour of the personal Estate which is in full of his Share or one Seventh part"

To "Thomas Tomson one of the sons of the s^d^ Deceas^d^ as followeth viz^t^ a Certain percel of y^e^ Homestead . . . . Containing One hundred & Eighty Acres & a half . . . . and is bounded westerly by the Afores^d^ part sett off to Zebadiah begining at y^e^ Stake & Stones at or near the range of the Northerly side of s^d^ Homestead thence by the range of said Zebadiah part South twenty Seven degrees Easterly about Two hundred & eleven pole to y^e^ Maple tree marked which is the South East Corner bound of s^d^ Zebadiahs part and from thence the Southeasterly end thereof is bounded by the ranges of s^d^ homestead untill it comes to a Stake set in the Ground at or near the range of s^d^ Homestead which is allso at or near the range of a Lot of Land formerly John Lucas^s^ about fifteen pole & three quarters to the Eastward of the Northerly bound of s^d^ Lucas^s^ lot, and from thence ranging North Six degrees & a half westerly about [p. 206] About two pole to the midst between two Great horn pine trees Standing Near together both marked on four sides and from thence on the same Course about One hundred twenty pole more to a forked black birch marked on four sides in the Easterly edge of the Westermost branch of the brook about three pole down stream from y^e^ place where the brooke parts, and from thence ranging North twenty eight degrees & a half Westerly about Seventy Six pole to y^e^ brook at y^e^ Bridge where the Cartway now Goes; Thence by the brooke upstream until it come to Joseph Tomsons Land; and the Northwesterly end thereof is bounded by the Ranges of s^d^ Homestead until it Come to the stake with stones about it first mentiond, Allso a Certain

parcel of Meadow Containing four Acres . . . . lying in the meadow Called Winatuxet Meadows which he bought of Job Simmons as by his Deed dated" 20 January, 1707, "Allso his hundred Acre lot of land in the first division in the twelve mens purchase being in Number the Ninth lot which he bought of Ebenezer Bennit as by his Deed dated" 26 October, 1730, "allso a Lott Containing Ninty Six Acres of pine wood land so Called in Snipatuit purchase the bounds whereof may Appear upon y^e^ Record of s^d^ purchase—Allso About half an Acre of Land lying upon Jones River adjoyning to Elisha Stetsons Land which he bought of Will^m^ Cook: allso his half Lot of meadow in y^e^ uper Meadows Containing four Acres and a quarter which he bought of John Haskell as Appears by his Deed dated" 8 January, 1706/7, "Allso his Seventh Lot in Number in Snipatuit purchase: Allso his Eighth Lot in Number in the purchase Called Lothrops & Tomsons purchase. Allso One Sixth part of His three Eights of the Grist Mill standing on Lucas^s^ brook, Together with" £327, 5s., 3d. "old tenour of the personal Estate which is in full of his share or One seventh part of s^d^ Estate"

To "Amasa Tomson one of the sons of the s^d^ Deceasd As followeth Viz^t^ a Certain parcel of the afores^d^ Homestead Containing One hundred Seventy three Acres . . . . and is all that part thereof which lyeth there adjoyning together and is bounded Easterly by that part thereof herein before Set of to Ruben Tomson and westerly by that Part thereof Sett off to Thomas Tomson: Allso his half of a twelve Acre lot of Meadow lying in the Meadow Called Winatuxet meadows which Lot of meadow did formerly belong unto M^r^ John Howland: allso About Ninety eight Acres of Land being the Easterly end of y^e^ second Lott in Number [p. 207] in the purchase Called Lothrops & Tomsons purchase: allso the Hundred and Eighth Lott in number in the uper Division in Marshfield Comons Containing Thirty two Acres which he bought of William Cook allso One half of his fifty Acres of Land lying on the neck of land Called Winatuxet necke: allso his Six Acres and a half of Cedar swamp in Snipatuit purchase adjoyning to y^e^ North End of Snipatuit pond: allso A Sixth part of his three Eighths of the Grist mill standing on Lucas^s^ brooke: Allso One Eighth part of the Sawmill standing on s^d^ brook, Together with the Value of" £334, 18s., 7d. "old tenour of the personal Estate, which is in full of his Share or seventh part of y^e^ afores^d^ Estate"

To "Mary Waterman the wife of Samuel Waterman Daughter of the s^d^ Deceasd as followeth viz^t^ One half of a Lott of

Land on an Island Called Hemlock Island in Hallifax the whole lott fifty one Acres: allso four Acres of Cedar Swamp which he bought of William Cook adjoyning to Robert Watermans meadow in Hallifax; allso the hundred forty third Lott in number in the uper Division in Marshfield Comons which he bought of William Cook: allso his five Lotts of land in the purchase of land Called the South purchase being in number the tenth Lott the Twelfth Lott The Ninetyeth lott The hundred & third lot, the hundred & Nineteenth lott: and allso his three Shares so called in s^d South purchase Viz^t The Share in his own right, the Share in Abraham Bardens Right, and the Share in Joseph Bardens right allso his Seventeenth Lott in number in Snipatuit purchase Containing Two hundred & fourteen Acres; allso a Gore of land lying near Joseph Holme^s upon the South side of the Roade that leads to Kingston Containing about four Acres which he bo^t of William Cook: allso his hundred Sixty third lot in Number in the Third allotment in the purchase Called the Sixteen shilling purchase, allso his share of Cedar swamp in the Cedar swamp Called Black brook Cedar swamp in the purchase Called Snipatuit purchase it being the first share in number, and Contains about twenty four Acres: Allso his ten Acres for quantity and quality to be taken out of the fifth Lot in Number in the purchase of land Called Lothrop and Tomsons purchase: allso all his right . . . . in the Second lott of Cedar swamp in the Majors purchase, Allso One Sixth part of his Three Eighths of the Grist mill on Lucas^s brook and allso his Sixteenth part of the furnace in Hallifax, Together with the Value of" £244, 17s., 9d. "old tenour of the personal Estate which together with the Value of" £129, 2s., 6d. "which she receivd of her Father in his life time is in full of her Share or Seventh part of the Afores^d Estate"

[p. 208] On 21 December, 1743, "Thomas Croade Esqr. Ebenezer Morton & Jacob Tomson made Oath" to the division, and it was confirmed by John Cushing, Judge of Probate, "saving to the widdow of the s^d Deceasd her right of Dower in the severall shares aforesaid".

[Widow Mary Tomson's Will]

[From original will] "Mary Tomson of Hallifax . . . . Widow Relict of Thomas Tomson late of said Hallifax Deceased" made her will 1 May, 1756. Bequests were as follows:

"I order that my Estate Shall be divided into Six equal

Shares, and I give to my Sons Reuben, Thomas, Amasa, Ebenezer & Zebadiah each of them one Share, and to the Heirs of my Daughter Mary Waterman Deceased one Share.

"And whereas all my Children have enter'd into Bonds to pay me a certain Sum yearly towards my Maintenance during my natural Life, I here order that if any of them are in Arrears at my Decease not having paid their Proportion, that So much as is behind Shall be deducted out of their Share of my estate as being already paid."

"my Son Ebenezer to be the Sole Executor"

The will was signed by a mark. The witnesses were John Cotton, Hannah Cotton and "Lucy Dyre". [Also recorded, 28 : 182]

[From original letter] The will was probated 4 July, 1781, on the oaths of "John Cotton Esq^r & Lucy Dyre two of the Witnesses" and administration granted to "Ebenezer Tomson Esq^r" [Also recorded, 28 : 183]

[From original warrant] On 4 July, 1781, "Mess^rs Moses Inglee Jacob Tomson & Judah Wood all of Halifax . . . . yeomen" were appointed to appraise the estate. [Also recorded, 28 : 521]

[From original inventory] On 7 July, 1781, the inventory was taken at Halifax, by Moses Inglee, Judah Wood and Jacob Tomson, and was sworn to there, on that date, before Ebenezer Tomson, Justice of the Peace. The only items were: "⅓ of a pew in the Meeting house" £3, 10s., and "Household furniture & wearing Apparil" £37, 1s., 3d., "in Lawfull money of this State". On 2 December, 1782, "Ebenezer Tomson Esq^r Excor" made oath to the inventory. [Also recorded, 28 : 521]

FORM FOR A BEQUEST

I GIVE and bequeath to the Society of Mayflower Descendants, a corporation organized under the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, the sum of.....dollars.

PLYMOUTH, MASS., VITAL RECORDS

(*Continued from page 141*)

Febry 4* A purpose of Marriage Between Ebenezer Harlow, Junr & Rebeckah Bartlett Both of Plymouth

4 A purpose of Marriage Between Theodotious Ford, & Hannah Burbanks Both of Plymouth

10 A Purpose of Marriage, Between John Dillingham of Sandwich, & Sarah Blackmer of Plymouth

11 A Purpose of Marriage Between Ichabod Morton & Zilpah Thare Both of Plymouth

April 1 A Purpose of Marriage Between Jacob Doten of Plymouth & Sarah Cobb of Kingston

5 A Purpose of Marriage Between, Silvanus Howes, and Thankfull Rider, Both of Plymouth.

15 A purpose of Marriage, Between Gideon Hersey of Abbington, and Elizabeth Atwood of Plymouth

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May 5 A purpose of Marriage, Between Thomas Churchell, of Plymouth, & Mary Ewer of Barnstable

6 A Purpose of Marriage, Between ye Revd Mr Noah Hobart of Fairfield In Connecticut; And Mrs Priscilla Lothrop of Plymouth

20 A Purpose of Marriage Between Thomas Matthews of Plymo & Desire Gifford of Rochester

27 A Purpose of Marriage, Between Silvanus Harlow, & Desire Samson, Both of Plymouth

July 15 A Purpose of Marriage, Between mr Paul Leonard of Raynham, Mrs Mary Rider of Plymouth

Augst 12 A Purpose of Marriage Between Mr Billings Throop of Bristol, & Mrs Hannah Morton of Plymouth

25 A purpose of Marriage, Between, Richard Durfey Junr of No Kingston, In ye Collony of Rhoad Island, & Providence And Sarah Bayley of Plymouth.

Sept 9 A Purpose of Marriage, Between Joseph Bent, & Elizabeth Waterman, Both of Plymouth,

Octr 21 A Purpose of Marriage, Between Ephraim Bartlett, & Marcy Churchell, Both of Plymouth,

Novr 17 A purpose of Marriage, Between, Robert Bartlett Junr of Plymouth, And Lucey Woodworth, of Norwich, in ye Collony of Connecticut. Spoke for by Seth Harlow

18 A Purpose of Marriage Between Thomas Crosbey, & Elizabeth Beale, Both of Plymouth.

* Of the year 1758.

Dec^{r} 2 A Purpose of Marriage Between Joseph Mitchell & Mary Tinkcom Both of Plymouth

15 A purpose of Marriage, Between Silas West, And Rebeckah Withered, Both of Plymouth

1759 Jan^{ry} 27 A Purpose of Marriage Between M^{r} Jeremiah Howes & M^{rs} Hannah Churchell Both of Plymouth

Feb^{ry} 3 A Purpose of Marriage Between Micah Swift of Wareham & Abigail Swift of Plymouth

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1759 Feb^{ry} 10 A purpose of Marriage Between John Totman & Elizabeth Harlow both of Plymouth

[24 A Purpose of Marriage, Between Peleg Stevens & Sarah Beale, Both of Plymouth*]

24 A Purpose of Marriage Between Peleg Stevens Resident, In Plymouth, and Sarah Wright of Plymouth *This Purpose Ent^{d} anew Ap: 9th as below by Desire of said Peleg Stevens so this Entry Void*†

24 A Purpose of Marriage, Between Thomas Doty Esq^{r} of Plym^{o} & M^{rs} Abigail Leonard of Boston,

27 A Purpose of Marriage, between Robert Gamble Resident in Plym^{o} & Rebeckah Polden of Plymouth,

March 10 A Purpose of Marriage Between John Pool now Resident in Plymouth, & Jean Allen y^{e} 2nd of Plymouth,

23 A Purpose of Marriage Between Moses Sachamus, & Susannah Harrey Indians, both of Plymouth,

31 A Purpose of Marriage Between Daniel Pappoon now Resident in Plym^{o} & Mary Lemont of Plymouth

Ap: 7 A Purpose of Marriage, Between John Williams, Resident in Plymouth, & Lydia Goddard of Plymouth.

9 A Purpose of Marriage, Between Peleg Stevens‡ now Resident in Plymouth, & Sarah Wright of Plymouth,

21 A Purpose of Marriage Between Mathew Claghorn of Chilmark & Jean Bartlett of Plymouth

27 A purpose of Marriage, Between M^{r} Nath^{l} Bartlett of Plym^{o}, & M^{rs} Rebeckah Elles of Sandwich. Spoke for by Jacob Johnson

June 21 A purpose of Marriage Between Daniel Prat of Plimton & Lydia Cobb of Plymouth

July 7 A purpose of Marriage Between M^{r} Joseph Kempton of Dartmouth, & M^{rs} Mary Lothrop of Plymouth,

August 4 A purpose of Marriage, Between John Humpry Negro Man, & Mary Paul Indian Woman, Both of Plymouth,

Sep^{t} 22 A Purpose of Marriage, Between Will^{m} Rider Jun^{r} of Plym^{o}; and Betty Mitchell of Dartmouth.

* This entry has been crossed out.

† The words in italics are in the same hand and ink as the seventh entry following.

‡ See seventh entry preceding.

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1759 Nov^{r} 17th A Purpose of Marriage Between Solomon Holmes, & Abigail Bartlett, Both of Plymouth,

24 A Purpose of Marriage, Between Benjamin Bartlett Jun^{r} & Jemimah Holmes, Both of Plymouth.

Dec^{r} 1 A Purpose of Marriage Between M^{r} Thomas Finney of Bristol & M^{rs} Elizabeth Clark of Plymouth.

15 A Purpose of Marriage, Between, Jacob Johnson Jun^{r} of Plymouth, & Hannah Mason of Sandwich

22 A Purpose of Marriage, Between Jabez Dogget of Middleborough, & Rebeckah Rich of Plymouth

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19 A Purpose of Marriage, Between Joseph Barnes, & Hannah Rider, Both of Plymouth

Feb^{ry} 2 A Purpose of Marriage Between Nicholas Spinks, & Sarah Goddard, both of Plymouth

15 A Purpose of Marriage, Between, Francis Crapoo Jun^{r} of Rochester; & Margaret Beale of Plymouth.

22 A purpose of Marriage, Between Nathaniel Holmes & Cloe Sears Both of Plymouth

22 A purpose of Marriage, Between Thomas Savory Jun^{r} of Plymouth, & Zilpa Barrows of Plimpton

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No. 2582. Harvey Earl Partridge, Minneapolis, Minn., ninth from Richard Warren.
No. 2583. Miss Helen Elizabeth Sanborn, Winchester, Mass., eleventh from James[1] Chilton, tenth from Mary[2] Chilton.
No. 2584. Mrs. John Porter Felt, Salem, Mass., tenth from James[1] Chilton, ninth from Mary[2] Chilton.
No. 2585. Mrs. William Denny Sargent, Brooklyn, N. Y., eleventh from James[1] Chilton, tenth from Mary[2] Chilton.
No. 2586. Mrs. Ralph Emerson Stevens, Cambridge, Mass., ninth from Thomas Rogers.
No. 2587. Horace Sears Crowell*, Falmouth, Mass., tenth from William Brewster.
No. 2588. Mrs. William John Tossell, Norwalk, Ohio, ninth from William Brewster.

31 August, 1923.
No. 2589. Mrs. Francis Talmage Dodge*, New York, N. Y., tenth from Richard Warren.
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No. 2591. Mrs. John Gilman Ordway*, St. Paul, Minn., tenth from Richard Warren.
No. 2592. Mrs. Curtis Griffith Noble*, Minneapolis, Minn., tenth from Richard Warren.
No. 2593. Mrs. Samuel Parker Hunt, Manchester, N. H., ninth from John Alden.
No. 2594. Mrs. John Bion Richards, Fall River, Mass., ninth from Richard Warren.

10 September, 1923.
No. 2595. Eugene Herbert Chadwick, East Braintree, Vt., ninth from James[1] Chilton, eighth from Mary[2] Chilton.
No. 2596. Lee Sherman Chadwick, Cleveland, Ohio, tenth from James[1] Chilton, ninth from Mary[2] Chilton.
No. 2597. Arthur Orison Taylor, Wilton, N. H., tenth from Degory Priest.
No. 2598. Foster Holden Sibley, Brooklyn, N. Y., ninth from Myles Standish.

29 September, 1923.
No. 2599. Mrs. Louis Adams Frothingham*, North Easton, Mass., ninth from Francis Cooke.

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No. 2603. James Croswell Perkins, Warrensburgh, N. Y., ninth from John Alden.
No. 2604. Mrs. William Dana Orcutt, Boston, Mass., tenth from William Brewster.
No. 2605. Harold William Paine, Leominster, Mass., eighth from George Soule.
No. 2606. Mrs. Ernest Milan Ford, Beverly Hills, Cal., tenth from Francis Cooke.

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September, 1923.
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No. 2593. Mrs. Samuel P. Hunt; ninth from Richard Warren.

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Secretary.

* Minor Life Member.

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